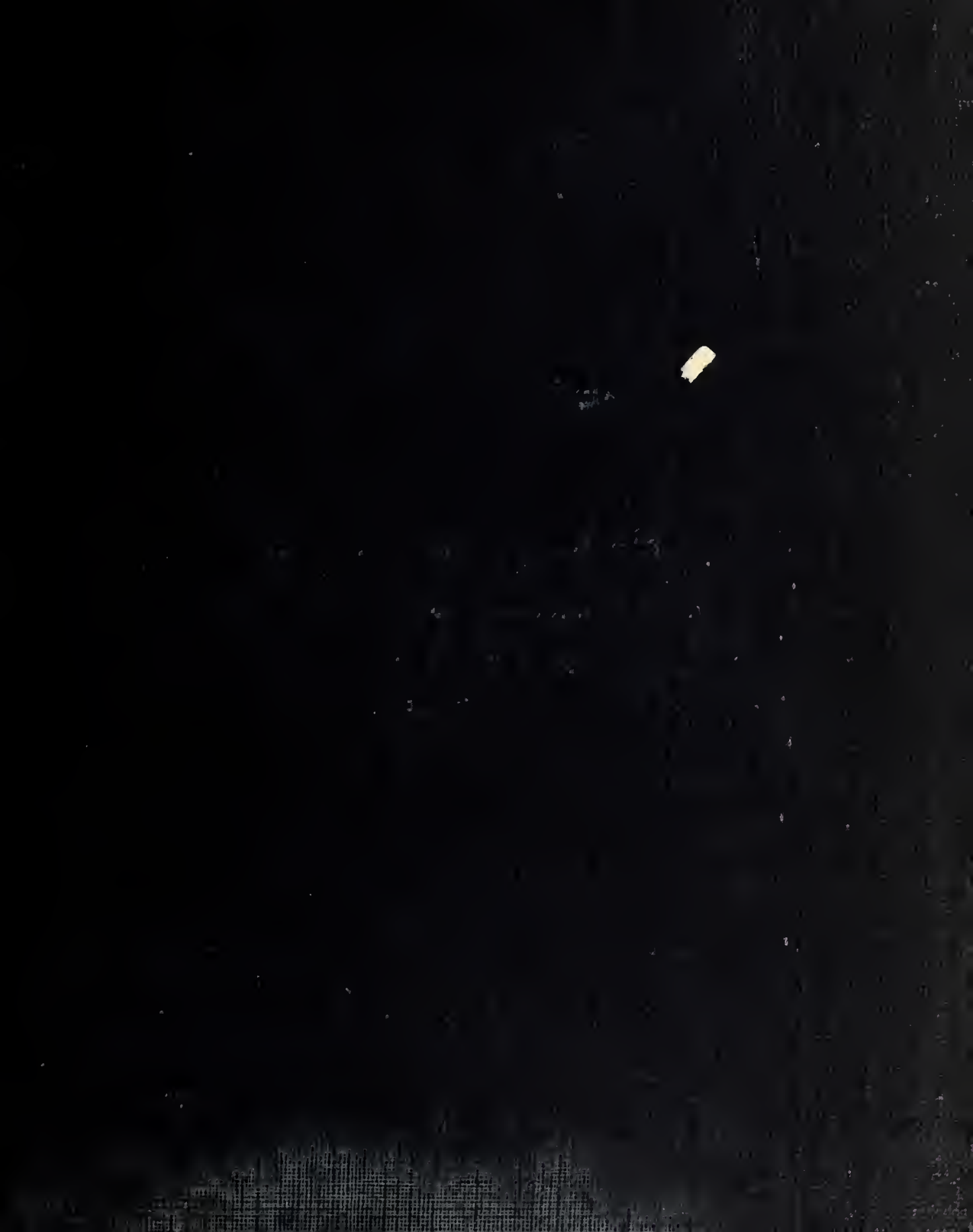

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PREFACE.

THE Board of Green Cloth was a Whist and Supper Club in Glasgow. It was founded probably between 1780 and 1790, and came to an end about 1820. Convivial Clubs were one of the most marked features of that time in Glasgow. Many of them have been chronicled by Dr. John Strang, but he merely mentions this Club without saying anything about it, perhaps because he knew nothing. We shall never see such clubs again, for our whole habits of life, to say nothing of the enormous size to which Glasgow has grown, are against them; but while they lasted they must have been very enjoyable. In the memoir of Colin Dunlop Donald in *Memoirs and Portraits of One Hundred Glasgow Men*, Glasgow, 1886, Vol. I., pp. 108-110, there is a notice of this Club, which, with the permission of Messrs. James MacLehose & Sons, is here quoted:—

"Probably his (Mr. Donald's) most marked characteristic was his individuality. Much of this, no doubt, was natural;

but it was also fostered by the state of society in Glasgow at the end of last century and beginning of this, which was then different in almost every point from what it is now. In the first place, it was not then the chief duty of man to resemble every one else; on the contrary, character was allowed full swing, and took it. The Cross was still the centre of the town, which was, comparatively speaking, a small place. A few adventurous spirits had gone so far west as Buchanan Street, but the better class houses were mainly in Queen Street, Miller Street, Virginia Street, Dunlop Street, George Square, and St. Enoch Square. West of Buchanan Street were a few market gardens and suburban villas, and then the country. Indeed Mr. Donald remembered as a lad shooting hares where St. Vincent Place now is, and where the Western Club now stands; and his brother-in-law, George Stirling, who only died twenty years ago, had gone partridge shooting over what is now Blythswood Square. There is now no burgher aristocracy. The place is too big and the men are too new. Then there was a small exclusive clique who knew each other well and no one else at all. There were no railways, no steamboats, no daily newspapers, no telegraph, no penny post. One stage coach a day, which was three or four days on the way, left for London. The Continent was closed, and the Highlands had not yet been called into being by Sir Walter. In consequence, men were both in mind and body confined to Glasgow, and sought and found their pleasures and interests there to an infinitely greater extent than they do now. There still lingered some of the blessed

leisure of the eighteenth century. The easy day's work was generally over at four o'clock, leaving men plenty of energy to engage vigorously in talk and conviviality. All these causes contributed to the abundance of clubs, which was one of the most distinctive features of the social life of Glasgow of that day. These clubs had nothing in common with the palatial buildings of to-day where men gather to scowl at each other, abuse the cook, and grumble at the committee. In the strictest sense they answered to Dr. Johnson's definition of a club,—'an assembly of good fellows meeting under certain conditions.' They consisted, as a rule, of a knot of friends, who met at stated intervals in a room of a tavern in the Saltmarket, the Trongate, or the Stockwell for good fellowship and conviviality. Some of these clubs owned their origin to mere chance, like the 'Hodge Podge' still green and flourishing in the hundred and thirty-third year of its existence. Some, like the 'Gaelic' Club, which has passed its century, formed a rallying point for Highlanders in Glasgow. Others, like the 'Camperdown' Club, took their name from a band of thirsty patriots assembling to celebrate some victory; or, like the 'Medical' Club, from the pursuits of its members. Except the Hodge Podge and the Gaelic, they are all dead—unless, indeed, the suspended animation of the 'Jumble' may be regarded as a sort of life. They met at various hours from five to seven. After a reasonable quantity of rum punch or whisky toddy had been consumed, supper of Welsh rabbits, Finnan haddies, or tripe, etc., was brought in; and after that, what, to modern ideas,

would seem an unreasonable quantity of rum punch or whisky toddy. The frequenters of these clubs were, it must be remembered, not only the gay young men of the town, but also respectable middle-aged merchants and manufacturers with wives and families. As was natural, each set or clique in Glasgow had its club, and the club of the burgher aristocracy in the end of the last century and beginning of this was the 'Board of Green Cloth.'

The minutes before 1809 are lost. Those that we have begin on 16th May, 1809, and end on 21st March, 1820. The Minute Book is nine and a half inches in height, by five and a half inches in breadth, and is bound in red morocco with a flap like a pocketbook. When the club came to an end it remained with the secretary, Colin Dunlop Donald, from whom it descended to his son, the late Thomas Donald, from whom it came to the editor. One would like to have seen the earlier Minutes, but as this cannot be we must be thankful for the Minutes we have, and the wonderful peep they give us into the social life of Glasgow eighty years ago. The value, such as it is, of the Minute Book, lies in the fact that it is a contemporaneous document. It shows us what subjects

the citizens of Glasgow discussed in their leisure hours, and how they amused themselves. It is absolutely natural, without any dressing up or sophistication; for nothing was farther from the thoughts of these worthy gentlemen when they fought out their arguments and made their bets, than that the record would one day be dug up for the information of those who were to come after them.

One of the most remarkable features of the Board of Green Cloth was the extent to which the Members were related one to another. Thomas Donald was father of Colin Dunlop Donald, brother-in-law of John Dunlop and James Dennistoun (1), and uncle of James Dennistoun (2), and his wife, Janet Dunlop, was first cousin of John Hamilton, and of Margaret Bogle, wife of Richard Marshall. Robert Houston was brother-in-law of John Barns, first cousin once removed of John Dunlop, and second cousin of Archibald Campbell, Blythswood, Colin Dunlop Donald and Thomas Dunlop Douglas. Richard Marshall married Margaret Bogle, a first cousin of John Dunlop and of John Hamilton, and was grandfather-in-law of Archibald Hamilton. John Baird

was uncle of one James Dennistoun and grand-uncle of the other. John Barns was brother-in-law of Robert Houston and uncle of Alexander Stevenson. Dr. Alexander Stevenson was nephew by marriage of John Barns. James and William M'Dowall were brothers, and were partners of Robert Houston. John Dunlop was brother-in-law of Thomas Donald, uncle of Colin Dunlop Donald, first cousin of John Hamilton, first cousin once removed of Archibald Campbell, Blythswood, Thomas Dunlop Douglas, Archibald Hamilton and Robert Houston, and first cousin of Richard Marshall's wife. Peter Blackburn was father of John Blackburn. Colin Douglas was uncle of John Douglas, and of Archibald Campbell, Blythswood, and a far-away cousin of James Monteath. James Dennistoun (1) was nephew of John Baird, brother-in-law of Thomas Donald, half-brother of Robert Dennistoun and Richard Dennistoun, father of James Dennistoun (2), and uncle of Colin Dunlop Donald. Laurence Craigie was brother of Thomas Craigie, and uncle by marriage of John Maxwell. John Hamilton was father of Archibald Hamilton, father-in-law of Colin Campbell, first cousin once removed of Colin Dunlop Donald, and first cousin of Richard Marshall's wife.

William Smith and Thomas Smith were brothers. John Maxwell was nephew of Laurence Craigie, and first cousin of James Grahame and John Buchanan, Ardoch. His brother, William Maxwell, married Colin Campbell's sister Mary. Thomas Craigie was brother of Laurence Craigie. Henry Monteith and William Monteith were brothers. Richard Dennistoun and Robert Dennistoun were brothers german, half-brothers of James Dennistoun (1), and uncles of James Dennistoun (2). Archibald Campbell, Blythswood, was nephew of Colin Douglas, first cousin once removed of John Douglas and John Dunlop, second cousin of Colin Dunlop Donald, Robert Houston, and Thomas Dunlop Douglas, and a far-away cousin of James Monteath. James Grahame was first cousin of John Maxwell and John Buchanan, Ardoch. John Blackburn was son of Peter Blackburn. John Douglas was nephew of Colin Douglas, first cousin once removed of Blythswood, and a far-away cousin of James Monteath. David and James Connell were brothers. Archibald Hamilton was son of John Hamilton, brother-in-law of Colin Campbell, first cousin once removed of John Dunlop, second cousin of Colin Dunlop Donald, and grandson-in-law of

Richard Marshall. Colin Dunlop Donald was son of Thomas Donald, nephew by marriage of James Dennistoun (1), nephew of John Dunlop, first cousin of James Dennistoun (2), first cousin once removed of John Hamilton, second cousin of Thomas Dunlop Douglas, Robert Houston, Archibald Campbell, Blythswood, and Archibald Hamilton, and brother-in-law of William and George Stirling. Colin Campbell was son-in-law of John and brother-in-law of Archibald Hamilton. James Dennistoun (2) was son of James Dennistoun (1), grandnephew of John Baird, nephew of Thomas Donald and Richard and Robert Dennistoun, first cousin of Colin Dunlop Donald, and brother-in-law of Alexander Oswald. William and George Stirling were brothers; Colin Dunlop Donald married one of their sisters, and Richard Marshall's son married another. Thomas Dunlop Douglas was first cousin once removed of John Dunlop, and second cousin of Colin Dunlop Donald, Archibald Campbell, Blythswood, and Robert Houston. Alexander Oswald was brother-in-law of James Dennistoun (2). John Buchanan of Ardoch was first cousin of John Maxwell and James Grahame.

It is worthy of note, as showing the class from

which the commerce and society of Glasgow were, at one time, recruited, that a large proportion of the members were landed men, sons of landed men, or, at least, men of good family. Robert Bogle was either of Daldowie or Shettleston, and belonged to our oldest Glasgow family. Thomas Donald owned the small estate of Geilston in Dumbartonshire. Dr. Alexander Dunlop was a cadet of Dunlop of Dunlop. Robert Houston was son of Alexander Houston of Jordanhill, and owned Polmadie and Little Govan. John Baird owned Craigton, in the County of Dumbarton. John Barns was Laird of Kirkhill, in the County of Ayr. John Campbell, Junior, was son of John Campbell of Succoth, and brother of Sir Ilay Campbell. William Mure was head of one of the oldest Renfrewshire families, and owned Caldwell. Dr. Stevenson owned Dalgain. Robert Dunmore owned Bankhead or Kelvinside, and succeeded in right of his wife to Ballikinrain. William M'Dowall was of an ancient Galloway family and owned Castle Semple and Garthland. James M'Dowall, his brother, was son of William M'Dowall, second of Castle Semple. John Dunlop was a cadet of Dunlop of Dunlop, and owned Rosebank. Peter Blackburn was son

of John Blackburn of Househill, and his son John bought Killearn. Colin Douglas and John Douglas were both of Mains, which had been in the family for over four hundred years. John Wallace owned Kelly, and was thirteenth in direct male descent from John Wallace who held Elderslie in 1390. Robert Scott owned Aikenhead. James Dennistoun, father and son, Robert, and Richard Dennistoun, were of the Dennistouns of Colgrain, who had held that estate for centuries, and who have since made out their right to be chief of the name. Laurence and Thomas Craigie were of the Craigies of Glendoick in Perthshire. John Hamilton, and Archibald Hamilton, his son, were descended from the Hamiltons of Westport, and John Hamilton owned Northpark. William Clark owned Kerse, in the parish of Lesmahagow. John Buchanan was son of James Buchanan of Carston, in the parish of Killearn, and succeeded to the estate. William Smith owned Muirbank near Rutherglen. John Maxwell owned Dargavel, which his family had held from 1522, and was a cadet of Newark. Maxwell of Newark was a cadet of Calderwood, who was a cadet of Pollok. John Maxwell claimed also, as representing Hall of Fulbar,

to be chief of the Halls. Charles Campbell owned Leckuarie in Argyllshire. Henry Monteith owned Carstairs. John Leckie was of an old Stirlingshire family, and owned Broich, now Arngomery. Walter Colquhoun owned Barnhill, which had been in his family from 1543. Archibald Campbell was a Douglas of Mains, and owned Blythswood. James Monteath was of the Monteaths of Kepp. Colin Campbell claimed descent from the Campbells of Breadalbane. William and George Stirling were descended from the Stirlings of Lettyr; William owned Tillichewan; and their cousin, Stirling of Drumpellier, claimed to be head of the name in opposition to Keir. John Brown was of Auchlochan, in the Parish of Lesmahagow. Alexander Oswald owned Changue, and was son of George Oswald of Scotstoun and Auchincruive. John Buchanan of Ardoch was a cadet of Buchanan of Carbeth, who was a late cadet of Buchanan of that ilk. It is true that most of the estates in this somewhat Homeric catalogue were small, and that, in many cases, they had been bought either by the owner or his immediate ancestor. In only nine cases had the ancestor of the man who, in 1791, owned one of these estates, held

it in 1691. The nine were Mure of Caldwell, Barns of Kirkhill, Douglas of Mains, Dennistoun of Colgrain, Maxwell of Dargavel, Colquhoun of Barnhill, Campbell of Blythswood, Brown of Auchlochan, and Buchanan of Ardoch. Colgrain is no longer owned by a Dennistoun, Auchlochan by a Brown, nor Ardoch by a Buchanan, but the other six are still held by the same family as in 1691 and 1791. It is remarkable that, except these six, Carstairs, and Killearn, not one of the estates owned by the members of the Board of Green Cloth is now in the possession of their descendants or representatives.

It is easy to understand how, in the eighteenth century, the ranks of commerce were so largely recruited from gentle families. Scotland had always been a poor country, and it must ever have been difficult to find something for younger sons to do. In the fifteenth century, those for whom there was no fighting or robbing to do at home, went to France to fight the English, and gain either a fair lordship, or a soldier's grave. In the sixteenth the new world was opening, and there were Spain and the Devil to fight. In the seventeenth century thousands of Scotsmen, besides Captain Dugald Dalgetty,

fought as soldiers of fortune all over Europe. Specially did they favour Gustavus Adolphus, the Lion of the North, and the Scots Brigades were the flower of his army. In the eighteenth century hard blows were not the same royal road to fortune, but the Union had opened the Colonial trade of England to all Scotsmen. The men who, had they lived earlier, would have fought at Verneuil, in the Low Countries, or at Lutzen, dashed into trade with the same courage as they would have shown in battle. The result was wonderful. From being one of the poorest countries in Europe, Scotland has become one of the richest, and this we owe in great measure to such men as the members of the Board of Green Cloth and their compeers.

An examination of the list of members shows in the clearest way the changefulness of Glasgow society. There were in all sixty-seven, or counting Colonel Norcote, sixty-eight members, and only five have descendants in the male line now settled in Glasgow. These five are Thomas Donald, his son Colin Dunlop Donald, Richard Marshall, John Lang, and Robert Aitken.

The editor had the good fortune not to be left to

his own unaided devices in the identification of the members of the Board. First and foremost he had the help of his father, the late Thomas Donald, who had known many of the members personally, and knew something about most of the others. The editor had in addition the help of William Brown, born in 1792, of Archibald Smith, born in 1795, and of Walter Buchanan, born in 1797. His thanks are also due to his friends John Oswald Mitchell and John Guthrie Smith, who have read the proof sheets, and given him the benefit of their great knowledge of Glasgow.

C. D. D.

2nd February, 1891.

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Thomas Donald.
Alexr. Dunlop.
John McDowall.
Robt. Houstoun.
Richard Marshall.
John Baird.
John Barns.
John Campbell, Jr.
Alexr. Stevenson.
Robert Dunmore.
James McDowall.

John Dunlop.
Peter Blackburn.
David Cross.
Colin Douglas.
John Wallace.
Robert Scott.
Archd. Henderson.
James Dennistoun of Colgrain.
Laur. Craigie.
Dun. Campbell.
John Hamilton.
Wm. Clark.
John Buchanan.
Archd. Campbell.
Patk. Carnigie.
Will. McDowall.
Jas. Buchanan.
John Buchanan.
K. Finlay.
James Watson.
Will. Smith.
John Maxwell.
Chas. Campbell.
Thos. Craigie.

Colin McLachlan.
Will. Corbet.
Hy. Monteath.
John Leckie.
Walter Colquhoun.
Richd. Dennistoun (withdrawn).
Archd. Campbell.
James Grahame.
Robt. Dennistoun (dead).
John Blackburn.
John Douglas.
James Connell (resigned).
James Menteath.
Will. Middleton.
David Connell (resigned).
Samuel Hunter.
Archd. Hamilton.
C. D. Donald.
Colin Campbell.
James Dennistoun.
Willm. Stirling.
John Brown.
Fras. Pott.
John Lang.

George Stirling.
Thos. D. Douglas.
Thomas Smith.
Alexr. Oswald.
John Buchanan.

EFFICIENT RESIDENT MEMBERS 1810.

Alexr. Dunlop withdrew Hony., Nov. 13
—Dead.
Laur. Craigie.
John Hamilton.
Archd. Campbell, Blytheswood.
John Maxwell.
Patk. Carnigie (resigned 1812).
Colin McLachlan.
Henry Montieth.
William Corbett (dead).
Walter Colquhoun.
Archd. Campbell, Finlayston.
James Graham.
Robert Dennistoun (dead).
John Blackburn.
James Connell.
James Montieth.
William Middleton (Honorary,
Decem. 18).

David Connell (resigned 1811).
Novr. 20—Samuel Hunter.
1811. Jany. 8—Archd. Hamilton.
Colin D. Donald.
1811. Decr. 19—Colin Campbell.
1812. Mar. 3—James Dennistoun.
1813. Oct. 12—Wm. Stirling.
1814. Oct. 25—John Brown.
Fras. Pott.
1815. Decer. 19—John Lang.
Geo. Stirling.
1816. Jany. 2—T. D. Douglas.
„ „ 9—Thos. Smith.
John Buchanan.
Mar. 12—Alex. Oswald.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Will. McDowall.
Robt. Houstoun.
John Campbell.
Willm. Mure.
John Dunlop.
John Buchanan (see below).
Will. Clark.
Kirkman Finlay.
John Leckie (dead).
Docr. A. Dunlop (do.)
John Douglas.
Wm. Middleton.

RULES FOR THE BOARD.

1st. The First twelve names in the list are the original members.

2d. The Club not to exceed Eighteen, and every Candidate to be proposed at one Meeting and ballotted for the next. One black ball to exclude. The ballot to be at what time the the Præses shall choose, and one half of the Members must be present.

3d. The time of Meeting to be at or as soon after 5 o'clock as convenient, and supper to be on the table at a ¼ past Ten o'clock. No new Rubber to be begunn after ten o'clock.

4th. A Præses to be appointed at each Meeting, who must be one of the Company when chosen,—and it is expected he will be at some pains to get the Members to meet early in the evening and stay supper. He shall have it in his power to admitt one or two strangers to the Club, but no Townsman can be admitted.

5. The Bill to be called at or before 12 o'clock.

6. The Præses to be fined in five shillings for non-attendance, or two and sixpence if he does not come before Seven o'clock.

7. Each Member who does not attend to pay 1/-, and those who go away to pay 3/-.

8. No Cards after supper under a penalty of 5 Guineas each player.

9. All fines and Betts made at the Club to be at their disposal.

10. The Club to meet every Tuesday.

11. Each Member shall pay his suppers six months p. advance at the rate of 1/6 each.

12. If the Præses does not bring or send the Club book before 7 o'clock he is fined in a bottle of Rum.

13. If any Cards are played after supper the Cards belonging to the Club are not to be used under the penalty of 5 Shillings for each pack so used.

In place of Rule No. 8.

14. 18 April, 1809. — There shall be no regular

Shuffling of the Cards such as Milking, dividing them in two's, three's, or five's; and after a rubber has begunn no person is allowed to change the Cards unless they order new Cards and pay for them.

28 April, 1812.—At the meeting of the Board this day it was unanimously resolved that in place of the Club commencing their regular meetings on the first Tuesday of November and ending the first Tuesday of May, The meetings shall commence on the first Tuesday of October and end on the second Tuesday of May.

C. D. D.

Mr. Blackburn says that Bathz and St. Martins in or immediately above South Beveland are the same. Mr. Dunlop says, no.—A bottle of rum.[1]

16 May, 1809.—Mr. W. Corbet betts a bottle of Rum with Mr. J. Maxwell that Mr. Nicol Brown will have a child in two years after his marriage. Meaning a living child.[2]

[1] St. Martins or St. Maartinsatjk is a town in Tholen, an island to the north of South Beveland in Holland.

[2] Nicol Brown of Waterhaughs and Lanfine was born 1768, died 1829. In 1802 he succeeded his father, John Brown, in these estates, and in 1809 he married Christian Somervell, eldest daughter

20 May, 1809.—Mr. Dunlop betts a bottle of Rum that Miss Sommerville is not Married to Mr. Nicol Brown before the Eighth day of July. Mr. Leckie says he will.

Mr. L. Lost. Married in Augt.

20 May, 1809.—Mr. Middleton says that since Mr. Blackburn went to Edinr. he has had communication with a lady or ladies. Mr. Maxwell denies for a bottle of Rum.

Mr. Midn. Lost. Settled.

30 May, 1809.—Mr. Leckie having ceased to live in Town intimated that he was no longer to be Considered as a Member.

6 June, 1809.—It was unanimously Agreed that Mr. Leckie should be an honorary Member of the Board.

20 June, 1809.—Mr. J. Graham is fined in a bottle of Rum for not sending the book when Preses.

of James Somervell of Hamilton Farm, but there was no issue of the marriage. Mr. Somervell, who was the leading partner in Somervell, Gordon, & Co., bought Hamilton Farm in 1780 and died in 1795. His trustees bought Sorn in 1797. He had three children, William, Christian, and Agnes. On the death of her brother, in 1820, Mrs. Brown succeeded to Sorn, and took the name of Mrs. Brown Somervell, but her husband stuck to his own name. She died in 1823 and was succeeded by her sister Agnes.

'18 July.—Mr. Dunlop betts with Mr. Leckie that Sir Arthur Wellesley is a Marshall. A bottle of rum.[1]

Mr. L. Lost. Settled.

8 Augt. 1809.—Mr. Blackburn bets versus Mr. Midleton a Bottle Rum and a Guinea dry that Lord Cochran, in his evidence on Lord Gambier's trial, said that his Ship made the Signal that two Line-of-Battle Ships were sufficient to destroy the Enemy.[2]

Mr. B. lost. Settled.

Mr. Monteith backs Mr. Middleton a Bottle Rum with Mr. Blackburn, to be decided by the report in the *London Courier*.[2]

Settled.

[1] It is not easy to understand why Mr. Leckie should have lost. According to Hart's Army List of 1851, the Duke of Wellington did not become a Field-Marshal till 21 June, 1813.

[2] "My signals were 'half the fleet can destroy the enemy,' then, 'the frigates alone can destroy the enemy.'"—*Autobiography of a Seaman*, by Lord Dundonald. London: 1861. Vol. II., p. 20. Lord Gambier, who was not remarkable for enterprise, commanded the Channel Fleet when Lord Cochrane made his famous attempt to destroy the French Fleet in the Basque Roads by fireships. Owing to Lord Gambier's failure to support the attack it was only a partial success. He was tried by court-martial for neglect of duty, but, after a grossly partial trial, was acquitted.

10 Octr.—Mr. Wm. McDowall betts a bottle of Rum with Mr. S. Hunter that Mr. Percival is First Lord of the Treasury this day four Months.[1]

Mr. H. lost.

Mr. Blackburn says he only pays 48/- per dozn. for cards to Mr. Dunlop. Mr. Colquhoun says more.

Nov. 21st, 1809.

Mr. B. Lost. Settled.

Mr. Blackburn betts a bottle of Rum with Mr. Carnegie that Mrs. Palmer has not a child on or before this day twelve month.

16 Jany., 1810.

Mr. Blackburn betts a bottle of Rum and five Guineas dry that Mrs. N. Brown is not with child at this time. W. Corbet says, yes. Same date as above.[2]

Colr. C. lost. Settled.

30th Jany., 1810.—Mr. Corbet betts a bottle of Rum

[1] The Duke of Portland's Administration was dissolved on his death on 30th October, 1809. The Right Hon. Spencer Perceval's Administration began in November, 1809. He was shot by Bellingham in the Lobby of the House of Commons, 11th May, 1812.

[2] See note on page 10.

wt. Mr. Middleton that the Adventure which lately sailed from the Broomielaw will arrive at Gibralter before Mr. Robt. Young.

Mr. M. Lost. Settled.

13th Feby.—Mr. H. Monteith betts with Mr. Colquhoun a bottle of Rum that the Glasgow Jail is not 30 feet wide over the walls.[1]

Mr. C. lost. Settled.

20 Feby.—Mr. H. Monteath betts a bottle of Rum with Mr. J. Hamilton that Mr. Blackburn will be found ultimately liable to pay the poor rates to the City of Glasgow in the Action brought against him before the Town Court.[2]

H. Monteath loses.

[1] The old Jail at the Cross.

[2] The Act 1579, cap. 71, requires the Magistrates in Burghs to take an inquisition of all aged, poor, and impotent persons entitled to the privilege of residence and—after considering what provision will be necessary for "their needful sustentation," to enable them to "live unbeggared"—"to tax and stint the haill inhabitants within the parochins according to the estimation of their substance, without exception of persons." Before 1776 this tax was levied in Glasgow only when required, but after that date it was levied annually. In 1803 it amounted to £3,845; in 1817 it had risen to £11,864, but the latter sum covered a period of fifteen months. The Minute Books of the Town Court have been searched, but no such action has been found.

20 Feby., 1810.—Mr. Carnegie betts a bottle of Rum and a Guinea dry with Mr. Middleton that the French are in possession of Cadiz on or before the first of April next.[1]

Mr. C. Lost. Money Paid.

Mr. H. Monteath has lost a bottle of Rum to Mr. D. Connell about the sale of Mr. Finlay's house.[2]

Mr. H. M. Lost.

6 March, 1810.—Mr. James Connell has lost a bottle of Rum to Mr. Blackburn.

Settled.

6 March, 1810.—Mr. Blackburn betts a bottle of Rum with Collector Corbet that Genl. Graham who has lately sailed the object of his Voyage is Cadiz.[3]

Mr. C. lost. Settled.

[1] Cadiz was not taken by the French. It was invested by them in 1809, and the siege lasted till 26th August, 1812, when it was raised owing to the victory of Salamanca on 22nd July of that year.

[2] In 1811, Kirkman Finlay's house was No. 15 Queen Street. Before that he resided at 76 Brunswick Street, where James Finlay & Co. had their counting-house. It is worthy of note that in the Glasgow Directory of 1807 both he and his firm are described as manufacturers only.

[3] General Graham commanded the British troops in Cadiz.

13 March, 1810.—The Suppers are settled up to the first Tuesday of May inclusive.

1810, March 20.—Mr. Blackburn acknowledges that he has lost a Bottle of Rum to Mr. Maxwell.

Settled.

Major Craigie has lost a bottle of Rum to Mr. James Connell.

17 April, 1810.

Charged Mr. L. C.

8 May, 1810.—The Anniversary Meeting of the Board is fixed for the 19 May, and the Secretary is desired to Collect from the absentees their fines and the remainder to be paid from the betts. Mr. Carnigie, præses, and Mr. Maxwell, Croupier.

15 May, 1810.—Mr. Walter Colquhoun is appointed Secretary to the Board.

22 May.—Mr. P. Carnigie proposed that there should be no fines for absence during the Summer Season, to be decided next Meeting.

June 5.—Resolved that the fines for absence shall continue as last year.

June.—Mr. H. Montieth lost a Bottle Rum on a Bet wt. Mr. P. Carnigie respecting a quarter of Lamb.

10 July.—Mr. Douglas having ceased to live in Town intimated that he was no longer to be considered as a Member.

Mr. Maxwell proposes that Mr. Douglas should be admitted an honorary Member.

BETS SETTLED ON JUNE, 1810.

Colr. Corbet—

1806.	Jany.	7th,	1	Bottle Rum.
„	Febry.	15	1	
„	Decem.	2	1	
1808.	April	19	1	
„	July	12	1	
„	Augt.	5	1	
1810.	Janry.	16	1	
„	March	6	1	
			— 8	8/- £3 4

Paid 12th June, 1810.

Settled and Paid.

Doctr. Dunlop—

1806.	March	25	1

1806.	Novem.	4	1				
1808.	April		1				
			—	3	„	£1	4
Paid ye 6 July.			Paid.				

W. Colquhoun—

1806.	Janry.	7th	1				
„	Febry.	15	1				
„	„	4	1				
1810.	Febry.	13	1				
			—	4		1	12
Paid 6th July.			Paid.				

Mr. Maxwell—

1806.	Febry.	4	1				
„	June	2	1				
„	Novem.	4	1				
„	„	25	1				
1807.	Decem.	29	1				
			—	5		2	0
Paid 10th July.			Paid.				

Mr. Middleton—

1809.	Febry.	28	1				
„	May	20	1	3		1	4
1810.	Janry.	30	1				
			23			£9	4
Paid 10 July.							

BETS DECIDED JUNE, 1810.

Mr. Blackburn—

1807.	Decem.	8	1	B. Rum.		
,,	,,	22	1	,,		
1808.	Janry.	26	1			
,,	May	14	1			
1809.	April	11	1			
,,	Augt.	8	2			
,,	Novem.	21	1			
1810.	March	20	1			
			—	9	8/-	£3 12

Paid 10th July.

Paid.

Mr. Craigie—

1805.	Decem.	3	1			
1806.	Febry.	15	1			
,,	March	4	1			
1807.	Febry.	3	1			
,,	Decem.	29	1			
1808.	Janry.	19	1			
1809.	May	12	1			
1810.	April	for Major C.	1			
			—	8	8/-	3 4

Paid 24th July.

Paid.

Mr. Carnegie—

1805.	Decem.	3	1				
,,	,,		2				
,,	,,	17	1				
1806.	Decem.	23	1				
1807.	March	10	1				
1810.	Febry.	20	1				
			—	7	8/-	2	16
Paid 17th July.						£18	16

Paid.

Col. J. Graham—

1806.	March	25	1	5
1808.	March		1	
1809.	January		2	
	June, fine		1	

JUNE, 1810, BETS DECIDED.

Mr. Henry Monteith—

1806.	Febry.	4	lost to Mr. McD.	1 B. Rum.
	June	2		1
	Febry.	15		1
	Decem.	2		1
1807.	April	14		2
	,,			1

1808. Novem. 22 1
1809. Febry. 21 1
„ 28 1
1810. Febry. 20 1

Mr. Archd. Campbell, "Finlason"—
1807. Febry. 3 1 B. Pd. 24 July. 8
Paid 24 July. Paid.

Mr. John Hamilton—
1808. Feby. 2 1
„ Decem. 13 1
— 2 8/- 16
Paid 27th July. Paid.

Mr. John Douglas—
1807. Decem. 15 1
„ 22 1
1808. Decem. 15 1
— 3 8/- 1 4
Paid 27 July. Paid.

Mr. James Connell—
1808. Decem. 17 1
1810. March 6 1
— 2 16/-
Paid.
Paid 31 July.

JUNE, 1810, BETS DECIDED.

Mr. J. Leckie—			B. Rum.
1806.	Febry.	15	1
,,	,,		1
1809.	May	20	1
	July	18	1
Mr. Rob. Dennistoun—			
1806.	Febry.	15	1
1807.	Febry.	3	1
Mr. K. Findlay—			
1808.	Janry.	26	1
	May	14	1
	Augt.	5	1
Mr. W. McDowell—			
1806.	March	4	1
1807.	Decem.	29	1
Mr. D. Connell—			
1809.	April	18	1
Mr. Campbell, Blythswood—			
1806.	Febry.	15	1
Mr. S. Hunter—			
1809.	October		1

COLLECTED FOR FINES DUE YE 17TH MAY, 1810.

			£		
1810. May 17th	—Messrs.	L. Craigie,		10	
,,	,,	Henry Monteith,		16	
,,	,,	Wm. Corbett,		13	
,,	,,	Jas. Graham,		9	
,,	,,	W. Colquhoun,		16	
,,	,,	Robt. Dennistoun,		9	
,,	,,	John Blackburn,	1	8	
,,	,,	James Connell,	2	3	
,,	,,	James Montieth,		7	
,,	,,	David Connell,	1	19	
May 24	,,	John Maxwell,		7	6
,,	,,	Patk. Carnegie,	1	12	
June 5	,,	Wm. Middleton,		9	6
	,,	Colin McLachlan,	1	13	6
			13	12	6
June 19	—Doctr. Dunlop,		1	7	
July 27	—Mr. John Hamilton,		1	12	
,,	,, John Douglas,		3		
			19	11	6

BETS COLLECTED.

fm.	Cr. C.	£3 4	P. C.	£2 16			
	D. D.	1 4	A. C.	8			
	W. Cn.	1 12	J. H.	16			
	J. M.	2	J. D.	1 4		21	4
	W. M.	1 4		£5 4			
	J. B.	3 12		16			
	L. C.	3 4					
						40	15 6
July 27.	Bill all Settd.		£37 13 6			38	13
	Waiters,		1				
	Surplus,					£2	2

Buckshead, Glasgow, 17th July, 1810.—It was this Evening unanimously Agreed that Mr. John Douglas Shall be an Honorary Member of the Board.

July —Surplus of Fines and Betts collected after paying the Dinner Bill as p. preceding Page, £2 2

31—Mr. Jas. Connell, his lost bets, 16

Entered to the Credit of the Card Fund Acct., £2 18

6th Decemr., 1811. W. C.

1810. Nov. 13.—Docr. Dunlop, owing to Indisposition, resigns being a Member of the Board.

By the Unanimous Voice of the Members present He was Voted an Honorary Member.

Nov. 20.—Mr. Sam. Hunter proposed by Blythswood as a Member of this Board.

Nov. 27.—Mr. Hunter was ballotted for this evening and unanimously admitted.

Decem. 18.—Mr. James Connell proposed Mr. Archd. Hamilton and Mr. Colin Donald as Members of the Board—to be Balloted for On Monday next ye 24.

Decem. 18.—Mr. Middleton being about to leave the Country for the West Indies. It is unanimously agreed that he shall be considered as an Honorary Member.

Glasgow, Buckshead Inn, 1811.

1811. Janry. 8—Mr. Archd. Hamilton and Mr. Colin Donald were respectively Ballotted for this evening and unanimously admitted Members of the Board.

Jan. 15.—Mr. Jas. Monteith bets Mr. P. Carnegie a Bottle of Rum respg. a Sale.

Mr. P. C. lost.

19 Feby. 1811.—Mr. J. Graham has lost a bottle of Rum to Mr. J. Maxwell about the Latitude of New Holland.[1]

19 Nov. 1811.—Mr. Walter Colquhoun having signified, through Mr. Carnegie, his inability through bad health to continue to be Secretary to the Club resigned the office and C. D. Donald was of this date elected Secretary in his room.

1811. January, Buckshead Inn.—Members to pay for Suppers the Winter Season.

Car. from ye 6th Novem., 1810, till 30 April, 1811, inclusive.

22 Jany.	pd.	Laurence Craigie,	26 weeks,	£1 19
	pd.	John Hamilton,	,,	1 19
	pd.	John Maxwell,	,,	1 19
		Archd. Campbell, Blythswood,		1 19
	pd.	Patk. Carnegie,	26 W.	1 19

[1] New Holland, now Australia, stretches from Cape York in 10°45′ south to Wilson's Promontory 39°9′ south.

	Colin McLachlan,	„	1	19	
	Henry Monteith,	„	1	19	
pd.	William Corbett,	„	1	19	
pd.	Walter Colquhoun,	„	1	19	
	Archd. Campbell, Finlason,		1	19	
pd.	James Graham,	„	1	19	
	Robert Dennistoun,	„	1	19	
	John Blackburn,	„	1	19	
pd.	James Connell,	„ Paid	1	19	
pd.	James Monteath,	„	1	19	
	William Middleton,	7 W.		10	6
	David Connell,	26	1	19	
17			31	14	6
	Samuel Hunter,				
pd.	Archd. Hamilton,	16 weeks,	1	4	
pd.	Colin D. Donald,	16	1	4	

January, 1811.

12 March, 1811.—Mr. Hamilton betts a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Henry Monteith that Mrs. Blackburn, formerly Miss Gillies, will have a living child within twelve months from this date.[1]

H. Monteath lost.

[1] John Blackburn, in 1811, married Rebecca Leslie Gillies,

Same day.—A Bett between Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Colquhoun a guinea and a Bottle of Rum, to be decided by Mr. Carnegie next Tuesday.

Lost by Mr. Carnegie.

Money paid 26 March.

April 9.—Mr. David Connell p. letter Resigned being a Member of the Board.

1811. May 14.—Mr. Hunter betts a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Jas. Monteath that His Majesty will never resume the Royal Functions. Mr. Monteath betts that he will resume the Royal Functions.[2]

Mr. M. lost.

19 Nov. 1811.—Mr. Colin Campbell having been proposed on a former night by Mr. Graham, was this night balloted for and unanimously admitted a Member.

daughter of the Rev. Colin Gillies of Paisley. Peter Blackburn, afterwards of Killearn, their eldest child was born on 31st December, 1811. "December 31—At Levenside, the lady of John Blackburn, Esq., of a son," *Glasgow Herald*, 3rd January, 1812.

[2] In December, 1810, George the Third's insanity, which had returned a little time before, was aggravated by the death of the Princess Amelia, his youngest and favourite child, and became so violent that the Regency Bill in favour of the Prince of Wales was passed. The King never resumed the royal functions and died on 29th January, 1820.

1811. Decr. 17.—Mr. Jas. Monteath bets versus Mr. H. Monteith that the sitting Magistrate at the Police office cannot legally inflict fines; is a Bottle of Rum. To be decided by Mr. Leckie.[1]

14 Jany., 1812.—Mr. H. Monteath asserts that the Magistrate sitting in the Police office can legally fine without any of the Town-clerks being present. Mr. Hunter denies that he can. A bottle of rum. Mr. Reddie to decide.[1]

3 March, 1812.—Mr. Jas. Dennistoun having been proposed as a Member by Mr. John Hamilton at a former meeting was this night admitted a Member of the Board.

Mr. Connell beats agt. Mr. Finlay a bottle of Rum that Mr. Jas. Dennistoun will rout as a Cow louder and better than Mr. Henry Monteith.

31 March, 1812.—Mr. Samuel Hunter beats a Bottle of Rum with Mr. H. Monteith that the Lady on whose account Mr. Horroks was made a ward of

[1] Sir James Marwick has been kind enough to give his opinion that the sitting magistrate in the Police Court cannot (apart from legislative sanction) fine without the Town Clerk being present. Mr. Leckie was Mr. John Leckie, writer, Glasgow, a member of the Board. Mr. Reddie was Mr. James Reddie, Town Clerk.

Chancery had not at that time the prospect of a fortune of two thousand pounds. To be referred to Mr. Kirkman Finlay.[1]

12 May, 1812.—Mr. McLachlan has lost a Bottle of Rum to Mr. H. Monteath about the cutting in at Cards.

Mr. McL. lost.

13 Oct., 1812.—Mr. Willm. Stirling having been proposed as a Member at the last Meeting was this day unanimously admitted a Member of the Board.

Mr. Wm. Stirling has lost a Bottle of Rum to the Club relative to the kind of fish at Supper.

W. S. Lost.

1812.—Mr. Peter Carnegie per letter of 4 Septr. resigned being a member.

Novr. 3.—Mr. H. Monteith lost a Bottle of Rum to Mr. Jas. Monteath and 1/-, which was paid, about an Irish story which was refer'd to Mr. Hunter.

Mr. H. M. lost.

Nov. 17.—Mr. William Stirling bets a Bottle of

[1] John Horrocks, son of John Horrocks, M.P. for Preston, married the only daughter of Charles Macintosh of Dunchattan. He owned Tillichewan from 1817, when he bought it from William Stirling, to 1843, when he sold it to William Campbell of J. & W. Campbell.

Rum and ten Guineas with Mr. James Monteath that Mr. Jno. Douglas does not charge anything for his trouble as agent for Mr. Finlay in the late Election. Mr. Monteath bets that he does make a charge.[1]

Mr. Jas. Monteath and Mr. W. Stirling have each lost a Bottle of Rum on the above bet.[2]

5 May, 1812.—Fines Due by Absentees from 22 May, 1810, to 5 May, 1812.

		£	
Laurence Craigie,	pd.		8
John Hamilton,	pd.	2	6
John Maxwell,	pd.		8
Patrick Carnegie,	pd.	1	8
Colin Maclachlan,	pd.	2	6
Henry Monteith	pd.	1	8
Walter Colquhoun,	pd.	1	8

[1] Kirkman Finlay was elected Member for the Glasgow District of Burghs on 30th October, 1812. His opponent was Archibald Campbell of Blythswood, the Tory manager for the West of Scotland. Renfrew and Dumbarton voted for Blythswood, Glasgow and Rutherglen for Finlay. Glasgow having at this election the casting vote, gave it to Finlay. There were great rejoicings. A medal was struck with the legend "Faith, Honour, Industry, Independence—Finlay, 1812." It is said that Mr. Finlay was franked of all expense, so it is probable that Mr. John Douglas charged nothing for his trouble.

[2] This is mysterious. Mr. Douglas must either have charged for his trouble or not, yet both parties to the bet are said to have lost a bottle of rum, and nothing is said about the ten guineas.

James Graham,	pd.		16	
Robert Dennistoun,		2	13	
John Blackburn,	pd.	3	4	
James Connell,	pd.	2	1	
James Monteath,	pd.		14	
David Connell,		2	3	
Samuel Hunter,	pd.	1	13	6
Arch. Hamilton, Jr.,	pd.		17	
C. D. Donald,	pd.		10	
Colin Campbell,	pd.		9	
James Dennistoun,	pd.		7	
		£24	19	6

1812. May 19.—By amount of Anniversary Dinner bill this day, 14 6 9

To Credit of the Card fund, £10 12 9

£8 9 6 C. D. Donald.

due 1 July, 1812.

1812. Decr. 22d.—Mr. Stirling bets 5 Gs. to one against Mr. Connel that Major Cartwright shall not be taken up upon a warrant for a supposed offence against the State on or before the 1st of Feby.[1]

W. S.

J. C.

[1] John Cartwright, one of the earliest and most extreme of the

Janry. 5th.—Mr. Henry Monteith bets with Mr. S. Hunter a guinea and a bottle of rum that he (Mr M.) did not actually subscribe to the Lancastrian School the sum which appears at his name in the list published in the newspapers.[1]

H. M. S. H.
Mr. Monteith lost. Money pd.

Mr. James Monteath betts a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Hamilton, that if the present Ministry move that the Trade of the Country be extended to India, Lord Archd. Hamilton opposes the measure.[2]

30 March, 1813.—Mr. Connell betts wt. Mr. Craigie five Guineas dry and a bottle of Rum that preliminaries

Reformers, was originally a lieutenant in the Navy and afterwards a major in the Nottingham Militia. From 1780 he advocated annual parliaments, vote by ballot, and universal suffrage. In 1813 he was arrested while on a political tour, but soon released. In 1820 he was tried for sedition, found guilty, and fined £100. Mr. Stirling, it may be noted, was a Whig.

[1] Lancastrian Schools derived their name from Joseph Lancaster, born 1778, died 1838. In his system he carried to a great extent the use of monitors or senior pupils in teaching the younger.

[2] The Ministry in power when this bet was made was the Earl of Liverpool's, which began on 9th June, 1812, and lasted to 24th April, 1827. During the whole of that time Lord Liverpool was Prime Minister and Lord Eldon, Chancellor. Lord Archibald Hamilton was second son of Archibald, ninth Duke of Hamilton, and sat for Lanarkshire from 1802 till his death in 1827.

of Peace between Britain and America are signed before the thirty-first of December next.[1]

Mr. Connell loses. Money paid.

The following Members to pay for Suppers for the winter Season, from 13 Octr., 1812, to 11 May, 1813, 31 weeks @ 1/6d :—

	£		
Laurence Craigie,	2	6	6
John Hamilton,	2	6	6
John Maxwell,	2	6	6
Archd. Campbell, of Blythswood,	2	6	6
Colin Maclachlan,	2	6	6
Henry Monteith,	2	6	6
Walter Colquhoun,	2	6	6
Archd. Campbell, Finlayston,	2	6	6
Jas. Graham,	2	6	6
Rob. Dennistoun,	2	6	6
John Blackburn,	2	6	6
James Connell,	2	6	6
Jas. Monteath,	2	6	6

[1] There were no preliminaries of peace between Great Britain and the United States signed in the year 1813. The Treaty of Peace was signed at Ghent on 24th December, 1814, but was not ratified by the United States till 17th February, 1815. In the meantime the English, under Sir Edward Pakenham, who was killed, attacked New Orleans on 8th January, 1815, and were repulsed with the loss of two thousand men.

Samuel Hunter,	2	6	6
Archd. Hamilton,	2	6	6
C. D. Donald,	2	6	6
Colin Campbell,	2	6	6
Jas. Dennistoun,	2	6	6
Wm. Stirling,	2	6	6
	44	3	6

Glasg., 16 Mar., 1813.

C. D. Donald.

1813. April 27.—Mr. Stirling has lost a Bottle of Rum to Mr. H. Monteith.

May 11.—Mr. Hy. Monteith has lost a Bottle of Rum to the Club on a drawn bet with Mr. Stirling.

The Club resolved that the anniversary Dinner of the Club shall be on the 25th inst. Mr. Craigie, Preses. Mr. Donald, Croupier.

Nov. 23.—Mr. W. Stirling betts a Bottle of Rum and twenty guineas that Dantzic holds out till the first day of Jany. Mr. Saml. Hunter bets it does not hold out.[1]

Mr. Hunter loses.

[1] The note "Mr. Hunter loses" must be a clerical error. Dantzic defended by the French, under General Rapp, was besieged by an allied army under the Duke of Wurtemburg, in the first week of October, 1813. The defeat of Napoleon at Leipsic put an end to all hopes of relief and General Rapp capitulated on 29th November, 1813. Alison's *History of Europe.* Edin. 1860. Vol. XII., pp. 300, 301.

Fines due by Absentees from 13 Octr., 1812, to 11 May, 1813.

		£		
Laurence Craigie,	pd.		11	
John Hamilton,	pd.		11	
John Maxwell,	,,		12	
Colin McLachlane,	,,		13	
Henry Monteith,	pd.		3	
Walter Colquhoun,	pd.		11	
Archd. Campbell,		1	9	
James Graham,	,,		5	
Robert Dennistoun,	,,		12	
John Blackburn,	pd.	1	1	
James Connell,	pd.		11	
James Monteath,	pd.		6	
Saml. Hunter,	pd.		13	
Arch. Hamilton,	,,	1	10	
C. D. Donald,	pd.	1	2	
Colin Campbell,	,,		14	6
James Dennistoun,	,,	1	4	
Willm. Stirling,	pd.		5	
		£12	13	6

Glasgow, 11 May, 1813.

C. D. Donald.

	12 13 6	
R. Dennⁿ.,	2 13	1812
D. Connell,	2 3	Do.
	£17 9 6	

Nov. 30th.—Of the two marriages yesterday, Mr. Wallace and Mr. Wardrope, Coppersmith, whose wife is to produce first after nine months from this day? Mr. Monteith says Mrs. Wardrope, Mr. Hunter, Mrs. Wallace. A guinea and a bottle of rum.[1]

1814. Jany. 11.—Mr. H. Monteith bets a guinea and a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Jno. Douglas that the Americans are not in possession of Montreal in six months. Mr. Douglas bets that they are.[2]

Mr. Douglas loses.

[1] The following announcements appeared in the *Glasgow Herald* of Monday, 29th November, 1813, "This morning, Archibald Wallace, Esq., merchant, Glasgow, to Ann, daughter of the late Gilbert Hamilton, Esq."; and "This morning, by the Rev. Mr. Wilkie, John M'Kinnon Wardrope, coppersmith, to Jessie, eldest daughter of Mr. Alexr. Ferguson, Argyle Street." A search in the newspapers after 30th August, 1814, has been made, but no further light has been got on the matter.

[2] This bet refers to the American War of 1812-14. In July, 1814, Major-General Brown, with a force of five thousand Americans, invaded Canada and was met by General Drummond with twenty-eight hundred British troops. On 25th July the battle of Niagara was fought and Brown driven back into the States with the loss of fifteen hundred men; the British loss was eight hundred and seventy-eight. The Americans never got possession of Montreal.

Mr. James Monteath backs Mr. H. Monteith five guis. and a Bottle of Rum on the said subject.

Mr. Douglas loses.

Feby. 15.—Mr. H. Monteith bets five Guinea dry and a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Leckie that the Property tax will not continue more than two years after the date of the Definitive treaty of Peace.[1]

Mr. H. Monteath wins.

SUPPERS, 1813-1814.

Laurence Craigie,	pd.	£2	3	6
John Hamilton,		2	3	6
John Maxwell,		2	3	6
Blythswood,		2	3	6
C. McLachlane,		2	3	6
H. Monteith,		2	3	6
W. Colquhoun,	pd.	2	3	6
Ja. Grahame,	pd.	2	3	6
R. Dennistoun,		2	3	6
Jno. Blackburn,		2	3	6
Jas. Connell,	pd.	2	3	6

[1] "On 18th March, 1816, the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Mr. Vansittart) proposed that the Property Tax should be continued for two years at five per cent. On a division two hundred and one voted for a continuance of the Tax and two hundred and thirty-eight against it," Cleland's *Annals of Glasgow*. Glas. 1816. Vol. I., page 344.

Ja. Monteath,	pd.	2	3	6
Saml. Hunter,	pd.	2	3	6
Arch. Hamilton,		2	3	6
C. D. Donald,	pd.	2	3	6
Colin Campbell,		2	3	6
Ja. Dennistoun,		2	3	6
Wm. Stirling,		2	3	6
1814. Apl. 5.		£39	3	

Suppers settled to this date.

C. D. D.

19 Apl., 1814.—Mr. H. Monteith has lost a Bottle of Rum to Mr. Blackburn.

The Club resolved that the anniversary dinner of the club shall be on the 6th day of May. Mr. John Hamilton, Preses. Mr. Donald, Croupier.

11 Octr., 1814.—Mr. Maxwell proposes Mr. Brown of Auchlochan as a member of the Board, and Mr. Jas. Monteath, Mr. F. Pott, to be ballotted for on Tuesday the 18th.

Same day.—Mr. P. Carnegie having formerly given in his resignation as a Member of the Board, was unanimously admitted an honorary Member.

Fines Due by Absentees from 5 Octr., 1813, to 3 May, 1814.

Laurence Craigie,		6
John Hamilton,	1	
John Maxwell,		15
C. McLachlan,		11
Henry Monteith,		13
Walter Colquhoun,		9
Jas. Graham,		9
Rob. Dennistoun,		17
John Blackburn,	1	1
Jas. Connell,		11
John Douglas,		4
Jas. Monteath,		6
Samuel Hunter,		17
Archd. Hamilton,	1	8
C. D. Donald,		6
Colin Campbell,		13
Wm. Stirling,		14
James Dennistoun,	1	8
	£12	8

Glasgow, 3 May, 1814.

C. D. Donald.

1814. Octr., 25.—Mr. Brown of Auchlochan and Mr. Francis Pott having been proposed as Members of the Board at a former meeting were this day unanimously admitted members.

Mr. Wm. Stirling betts ten guinas with Mr. Henry Monteith that Mrs. Colin Campbell (Possil) shall have a living child within eleven months from the date of marriage.[1]

Money paid.

Decr. 13.—Mr. Hunter has lost a Bottle of Rum to Mr. H. Monteith about a substance found in the Toasted Cheese.

1815. Jany. 31.—Mr. Blackburn betts a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Hunter, that in drawing heavy burdens the farther the horse is from the Load drawn the severer the burden.[2]

[1] Colin Campbell, second son of John Campbell, senior, married on 24th October, 1814, Janet Miller, eldest daughter of John Hamilton of Northpark. Their eldest son, John, was born on 9th August, 1815. He was a captain in the Scots Greys, and died unmarried May, 1846. Colin Campbell is called "Possil" as at this date and for many years after he resided at Possil, the property of his brother, Colonel Alexander Campbell.

[2] In theory the force required to move a weight is exactly the same at whatever distance it be applied.

1815. Feby. 14.—Mr. Hunter betts a Bottle of Rum with Mr. H. Monteith that the Stone of Butter in Galloway does not exceed Sixteen pounds. Mr. Monteith bets that it exceeds 16 pds.[1]

1815. May 2.—The annual Dinner of the Board is fixed for Saturday the 13 inst. Henry Monteith, Preses; Laurence Craigie, Croupier.

1815. Decr. 12.—S. Hunter betts a Bottle of Rum with Jas. Monteath that in a fortnight after the next

[1] Mr. Hunter was right. The stone of butter in Galloway weighed sixteen pounds. After trying fruitlessly in many quarters to get information on the point, it occurred to the editor to write to a parish minister in Galloway, and the Rev. Mr. Paton of Kirkinner was selected as the victim. Mr. Paton most kindly took great trouble to ascertain the weight of the old Galloway stone of butter, and embodied the final result in the following letter:—

"The Manse, Kirkinner, 6*th Dec.*, 1889.

"Dear Sir,—I have now ascertained on reliable information that the Galloway stone for weighing butter early in this century was of 16 lbs. weight. My informants are two old parishioners who were both farmers, accustomed to make up and sell butter in quantities. The one is Mrs. Wallace, Bladnock, eighty-four years of age, the other is Miss Livingstone, on the verge of ninety-three years. They are both sharp, shrewd women; both knew that the Galloway stone for grain was 17½ lbs., and both remember when the weights were changed to the present scale of 14 lbs. The testimony of Miss Livingstone reaches up to the first decade of the century. I think you may absolutely rely on this information as accurate.—I am, yours mo. sincerely, "R. Paton.

"C. D. Donald, Esq."

meeting of Parliament, the funds will be lower than they are at present. Referred to Mr. Craigie.[1]

SUPPERS, 1814–15, 4 OCT. TO 9 MAY, 31 NIGHTS.

Laurence Craigie,	£2	6	6
John Maxwell,	2	6	6
John Hamilton,	2	6	6
Blythswood,	2	6	6
C. McLachlan,	2	6	6
Hy. Monteith,	2	6	6
Walter Colquhoun,	2	6	6
Jas. Graham,	2	6	6
Rob. Dennistoun,	2	6	6
John Blackburn,	2	6	6
Jas. Connell,	2	6	6
Jas. Monteath,	2	6	6
Arch. Hamilton,	2	6	6
C. D. Donald,	2	6	6
John Douglas,	2	6	6
Ja. Dennistoun,	2	6	6
Colin Campbell,	2	6	6

[1] The price of Three per Cent. Consolidated Stock in December, 1815, was $59\frac{1}{2}$ to $60\frac{1}{4}$. Parliament met on 1st February, 1816; in that month the price of the same stock was $60\frac{1}{2}$ to $62\frac{1}{8}$.

Wm. Stirling,	2	6	6
John Brown,	2	3	6
Francis Pott,	2	3	6
Samuel Hunter,	2	6	6
	£48	10	6

28 March, 1815. C. D. Donald.

NOTE OF FINES DUE BY ABSENTEES, FROM 4 OCTR., 1814, TO 9 MAY, 1815.

Laurence Craigie,	£	7
John Hamilton,		15
John Maxwell,		9
Colin McLachlan,		18
Henry Monteith,		10
W. Colquhoun,		10
James Graham,		6
Robert Dennistoun,	1	9
John Blackburn,	1	1
James Connell,	1	5
John Douglas,	1	
Jas. Monteath,		6
Sam. Hunter,		10
Archd. Hamilton,	1	11

C. D. Donald,	11
Wm. Stirling,	10
C. Campbell,	17
Jas. Dennistoun,	1 11
John Brown,	15
Francis Pott,	5
	£15 6

Glasgow, 9 May, 1815. C. D. Donald.

Fines 1812 due, - -	£4 16
1813 ,, - - -	6 19 6
1814 ,, - - -	12 8
1815 - - -	15 6
	£39 9 6

1815. Decr. 19.—Mr. John Lang and Mr. George Stirling having proposed as Members at a former meeting were this day unanimously admitted members of the Board.

1816. Jany. 2.—Mr. Thomas D. Douglas having been proposed as a member at a former meeting was this day unanimously admitted a member of the Board.[1]

Jany. 9.—Mr. Thos. Smith having been proposed a

[1] Mr. Douglas died on 30th January, 1869, the last survivor of the Board.

member of the Board at a former meeting was this day unanimously admitted a member.

Mr. Buchanan of Ardoch, an honorary member, was this day admitted an ordinary member of the Board.

12 March, 1816.—Mr. Alexr. Oswald, Advocate, having been proposed at a former meeting was this day unanimously admitted a member of the Board.

8 Octr., 1816.—Mr. James Connell by Letter to the Secy., dated the 5th, resigned being a member of the Board.

26 Nov., 1816.—Mr. H. Monteith has lost a Bottle of Rum to the Club on a Bett about Mr. T. Douglas's House.[1]

14 Jany., 1817.—Mr. Craigie bets a Bottle of Rum with Mr. Colin Campbell that Mrs. Ashburner, late Miss Farquhar Gray is thirty years of age. Mr. Campbell bets she is under that age.[2]

[1] In the Directory of 1811 Mr. Douglas appears as "Douglas, T. D., hat-maker, 27 Glassford Street." In 1816 he built the house now Nos. 140-142 St. Vincent Street, then known as 1 Blythswood Place.

[2] Eliza Farquhar Gray, or more properly Gray Farquhar, was only daughter of John Gray, son of the Rev. James Gray of Strathblane, and Jane Farquhar, heiress of Gilmillscroft, in the Parish of Sorn, Ayrshire. Miss Farquhar Gray was a celebrated beauty and toast in Edinburgh and Glasgow in the early part of the century. Accord-

Suppers, 1815–1816.

From 3 Octr., 1815, to 14 May, 1816, 33 Nts.

Lawrence Craigie,	2	9	6
John Hamilton,	2	9	6
John Maxwell,	2	9	6
Colin McLachlan,	2	9	6
Henry Monteith,	2	9	6
Walter Colquhoun,	2	9	6
James Graham,	2	9	6
John Blackburn,	2	9	6
Archd. Campbell, of Blythswood,	2	9	6
James Connell,	2	9	6
Archd. Campbell, Finlayston,	2	9	6
Jas. Menteath,	2	9	6
Samuel Hunter,	2	9	6
Archd. Hamilton,	2	9	6
C. D. Donald,	2	9	6
James Dennistoun,	2	9	6
Colin Campbell,	2	9	6
John Brown,	2	9	6

ing to Paterson's *History of the Counties of Ayr and Wigton*, vol. I., part. II., p. 700, she married "John Anderson, M.D., London," but, according to the above entry and information received from the family, her husband's name was Ashburner.

W. Stirling,	2	9	6
Francis Pott,	2	9	6
John Lang,	1	13	
Thos. D. Douglas,	1	10	
Thomas Smith,	1	8	6
Alex. Oswald,		15	
John Buchanan,	1	8	6
George Stirling,	1	13	
	£57	18	

30 March, 1816. Suppers to 14 May, 1816.

C. D. Donald.

16 April, 1816.—The annual Dinner of the Board is fixed for Saturday, the 4 May. Mr. James Monteath, Preses; Mr. Donald, Croupier.

8 Oct., 1816.—Mr. James Connell having by a Letter to the Secretary signified that in Consequence of the state of his health he was not able to attend the Board, is no longer a Member.

21 Oct., 1818.—Mr. Samuel Hunter having signified to the Secretary that he would not be able in future to attend the Board, is no longer a Member.

FINES FROM 3 OCTR., 1815, TO 14 MAY, 1816.

Lawrence Craigie,	-	-	5
John Hamilton,	-	-	17
John Maxwell,	-	-	1 3
C. McLachlan,	-	-	1 7
Henry Monteith,	-	-	1 2
Walter Colquhoun,	-	-	12
James Graham,	-	-	6
John Blackburn,	-	-	1 3
James Connell,	-	-	1 3
James Monteath,	-	-	6
Samuel Hunter,	-	-	18
A. Hamilton,	-	-	1 7
C. D. Donald,	-	-	3
Colin Campbell,	-	-	13
Wm. Stirling,	-	-	15
Ja. Dennistoun,	-	-	1 7
F. Pott,	-	-	5
John Brown,	-	-	1 3
John Lang,	-	-	7
Geo. Stirling,	-	-	17
T. Douglas,	-	-	11
John Buchanan,	-	-	17

Alexr. Oswald, - - - -	1
Wm. Middleton, - - - -	5
	£17 13

15 May, 1816. C. D. Donald.

Suppers, 1816–1817.

From 8 Octr., 1816, to 13 May, 1817, 33 Nts.

Lawrence Craigie, - -	pd.	2	8
John Hamilton, - - -	-	2	8
John Maxwell, - - -	pd.	2	8
Colin McLachlan, - -	-	2	8
Henry Monteith, - -	pd.	2	8
Walter Colquhoun, - -	pd.	2	8
James Graham, - - -	pd.	2	8
John Blackburn, - - -	-	2	8
A. Campbell, of Blythswood, -		2	8
A. Campbell, Finlayston, - -		2	8
James Menteath, - - -	pd.	2	8
Samuel Hunter, - - -	-	2	8
Arch. Hamilton, - - -	-	2	8
C. D. Donald, - - -	pd.	2	8
James Dennistoun, - -	-	2	8
Colin Campbell, - - -	-	2	8

John Brown, - - -	pd.	2	8
Wm. Stirling, - - -	-	2	8
F. Pott, - - - -	pd.	2	8
John Lang, - - -	-	2	8
Thos. D. Douglas, - -	-	2	8
Thomas Smith, - - -	-	2	8
Alexr. Oswald, - - -	-	2	8
Wm. Middleton, - - -	pd.	2	8
John Buchanan, - - -	-	2	8
Geo. Stirling, - - -	-	2	8
Sixty two pounds 8/-		£62	8

Settled up to 13 May, 1817. C. D. Donald.

13 May, 1817.—The Secretary Stated to the meeting that there were very considerable arrears of fines and betts due by many members of the Club which it would be necessary to collect in order to reimburse him for money which he had paid out for Cards and Dinners for the Club. That some time ago he had attempted to collect the money without Success and he now craved the opinion of the Club, as to the manner in which he ought to proceed. The Club are unanimously of opinion that the outstanding fines and betts should be immedy. collected, and they authorize the

Secretary immediately to make out a list thereof stating what is due by each member; and they recommend it to him to employ some person to Collect the money, and pay him a proper remuneration for his Trouble, and they direct the Secretary to inform the members that they expect the whole arrears to be paid up prior to the Meeting of the Club in October next.

C. D. D.

FINES FROM 8th OCTR., 1816, TO 13 MAY, 1817.

Lawrence Craigie,	£	9	
John Hamilton,	1	2	
John Maxwell,		12	
Colin McLachlan,	1	11	
Henry Monteath,		6	
Walter Colquhoun,		11	
James Graham,		7	
John Blackburn,	1	8	
James Connell,	-	-	
James Monteath,		4	
Samuel Hunter,	1	4	
A. Hamilton,	1	11	
C. D. Donald,		8	
Colin Campbell,		17	

Wm. Stirling,	1	10	
Ja. Dennistoun,	1	11	
Fra. Pott,		17	
John Brown,	1	4	
John Lang,		10	
George Stirling,	1	11	
T. Douglas,	1	4	
John Buchanan,	1	11	
Alex. Oswald,	1	9	
Wm. Middleton,	1	1	6
Thomas Smith,		15	
	23	13	6

13 May, 1817. C. D. Donald.

SUPPERS FROM 21 OCT., 1817, TO 12 MAY, 1818.

Lawrence Craigie,	2	5
John Hamilton,	2	5
John Maxwell,	2	5
Colin McLachlan,	2	5
Henry Monteith,	2	5
Walter Colquhoun,	2	5
James Graham,	2	5
John Blackburn,	2	5

A. Campbell, of Blythswood,	-	2	5
A. Campbell, Finlaystone,	-	2	5
James Monteath,	-	2	5
Arch. Hamilton,	-	2	5
C. D. Donald,	-	2	5
Jas. Dennistoun,	-	2	5
Colin Campbell,	-	2	5
John Brown,	-	2	5
Wm. Stirling,	-	2	5
F. Pott,	-	2	5
John Lang,	-	2	5
Thos. D. Douglas,	-	2	5
Thomas Smith,	-	2	5
Alex. Oswald,	-	2	5
Geo. Stirling,	-	2	5
Wm. Middleton,	-	2	5
John Buchanan,	-	2	5
	£56	5	

Settled up to 12 May, 1818. C. D. Donald.

12 May, 1818.—The Annual Dinner of the Board is fixed for Friday, the 29 May. Mr. Craigie, Preses.

27 Oct., 1818.—Rob. Aitken, Esq., Banker, was admitted a member of the Board.

4 May, 1819.—The Annual Dinner of the Board is fixed for Tuesday the 18 May. Mr. Hamilton, Preses.

4 Jany., 1820.—Colonel Norcote of the Rifle Brigade was this day unanimously admitted an honorary Member of the Board.

21 March, 1820.—Mr. Wm. Monteith was this day admitted a member of the Board.

ROBERT BOGLE.

This may have been either Robert Bogle of Daldowie or Robert Bogle of Shettleston, distant cousins. Daldowie was eldest son of George Bogle of Daldowie and Ann Sinclair, daughter of Sir John Sinclair of Stevenston, and grand-niece of the great Sir William Lockhart, Cromwell's ambassador to France. He was in business in Glasgow as a merchant, and died unmarried in 1808. Robert Bogle of Shettleston died in 1790. The Bogles were one of the oldest Glasgow families, and are said to descend from the Bogles who were rentallers of Church lands under the Roman Catholic Archbishops. At the Reformation most of the Church rentallers had their lands set to them in feu. "Among surnames afterwards familiar as 'portioners' in the Barony of Glasgow will be found as 'rentallers,' Anderson in Stobcross, Bogle in Bogleshole, Sandyhill, and Shettleston, Corse in Carmyle, Crawford in, Possil, Forsyth in Halhill, Gray in Tolcross, West-

thorn, and Chryston, Louke in Eistthorn, Main in Lochwood, Rowand in Meikle Govan, Scott in Daldowie, and Woddrop in Carntyne and Dalmarnock. Some of these families still own or cultivate their ancient possessions, as the Grays of Carntyne (lately extinct in the male line), the Rowands of Meikle Govan, the Scotts of Wester Daldowie, and the Woddrops of Dalmarnock."[1] In the Archbishop's Rental of the Barony of Glasgow there are many references to the Bogles. In 1518 Thomas Bogle was rentalled in "the xxiii*s.* ix*d.* lands of Chedylstoun." James Bogle, in 1520, was rentalled in the "xxvi*s.* viii*d.* land off Carmyle," and in 1528 in the half merk land of Carmyle. In the latter year, William Bogle, son of James Bogle, was rentalled in "fifteen*s.* land lyand in Ester Dalbeth." In 1530, John Bogle was rentalled in "sax*s.* viii*d.* land in Carmyle." In 1539 "Thomas Boygile, son to Thomas Boygile, in Sandyhills, is rentalled in xxiii*s.* ix*d.* land, that is to say xviii*s.* ix*d.* land in Sandyhills and fif *s.* in Omeris croft." There are many more entries of the same kind which show that there were many Bogles among the arch-

[1] *Diocesan Register and Rental Book of the Diocese of Glasgow.* London, 1875, Vol. I., pp. 27, 28.

bishop's tenants. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and well on to the middle of the nineteenth the Bogles spread and flourished. They founded businesses, they bought estates, they married and were given in marriage, and now there is not one of them left in Glasgow. They had married, however, into all the Glasgow families of any note for the last two hundred years, and in the female line are still represented here. Latterly they were a decaying race. Old Miss Nancy Bogle used to say that they had lost all the good in them when they lost their "deevilry." She was a plain spoken old lady. An acquaintance once tried to get from her a passage through her property to a house of his lying behind it. "I'll dae nae sic thing," she said, "ye'll be makin' a bawdy hoose o' it."

THOMAS DONALD.

Thomas Donald, born 1745, was the eldest son of James Donald of Geilston, Dumbartonshire, a Virginia merchant, one of the founders of the Glasgow Arms Bank, and Marion, daughter of Thomas Yuille of Darleith. Thomas Donald also was a Virginia merchant,

in partnership with his uncle, Provost Robert Donald. Mr. Donald's residence at one time was in a house in the west side of the Stockwellgate, built by John Stuart Crawford of Milton, which has now been pulled down and its site included in St. Enoch Station. Latterly he resided in Turner's Land on the south side of Argyle Street. He married, in 1773, Janet, daughter of Provost Colin Dunlop of Carmyle. By her he had three sons and a daughter—(1) James, born 1775, a captain in the 94th Regiment, married Anne, daughter of Robert Grahame of Whitehill, and had issue. Captain Donald saw much service in India, including the siege of Seringapatam, and died in 1831 from the effects of a wound received at the battle of Argaum, twenty-eight years before; (2) Colin Dunlop, writer, Glasgow, of whom hereafter; (3) Thomas, lieutenant in the 94th Regiment, lost in the "Java" frigate on the voyage home from the East Indies in 1806; (4) Martha, born 1774, died unmarried 1831.

Mr. Donald died in 1798.

ALEXANDER DUNLOP.

Alexander Dunlop was a surgeon in Glasgow. He entered the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons in 1768, and died 5th September, 1815. His address is given in the 1789 Directory as the first flat, corner of Virginia Street; in 1807 he had moved to 60 Queen Street; and in 1811 his house was in St. Enoch Square. For a short time he was in partnership with Dr. John Moore, father of Sir John Moore. Dr. Dunlop's father was in business in America. His grandfather was Alexander Dunlop, Professor of Greek in the University of Glasgow, 1704-1746. The Professor's father was William Dunlop, Principal of the University from 1690 to 1700, son of Alexander Dunlop, minister of Paisley, who was descended from the Auchinskeith branch of the Dunlops of Dunlop. Dr. Dunlop married Jane Anderson, second daughter of James Anderson of The Field, near St. Rollox. There was a large family, of whom only four lived to grow up—(1) Dr. William Dunlop; (2) Janet, died unmarried; (3) Hannah, married Thomas Grahame, manufacturer, Glasgow, and had issue, the late Alexander

Grahame, Parliamentary Solicitor; (4) Sarah, married her cousin, James Andrew Anderson of Carlung, and left issue. Mrs. Dunlop's sister Janet married Andrew Anderson of Greenock, and had, with other children, Dr. Alexander Dunlop Anderson, named after Dr. Dunlop, and James Andrew Anderson, of the Union Bank.

Dr. John Burns, the first Professor of Surgery in Glasgow University, who was drowned in 1850 in the wreck of the "Orion," was Dr. Dunlop's partner and succeeded to his business.

ROBERT HOUSTON.

Robert Houston, afterwards Robert Houston Rae, was a partner in the great firm of Alexander Houston & Co., West India Merchants. The Houstons were not an old Glasgow family. The first who appeared here was Alexander Houston, "said to be of the house of Calderhall in Mid-Lothian." About 1750 he bought Jordanhill from the Crawfords. His town house was the stately mansion on the south side of Argyle Street, facing Queen Street, depicted in Stewart's *Views and Notices*, p. 104. He does not seem to have been a

Virginia merchant, at least his firm's name does not appear in the list of importers of tobacco given in Pagan's *History*, pages 80, 81. He was one of the founders of the Ship Bank in 1750, which carried on business under the firm of Colin Dunlop, Alexander Houston & Co. Alexander Houston married Elizabeth Rae, eldest daughter of Robert Rae of Tannochside, and Elizabeth, sixth daughter of James Dunlop, third, of Garnkirk. By her he had three sons—(1) Andrew, afterwards of Jordanhill, married Margaret Wallace and had issue; (2) Robert married Douglas and had issue; (3) Alexander of Rosehaugh, d.s.p., and five daughters—(1) Elizabeth married *first* Hugh Maclean of Ardgour, and *secondly*, John Campbell, merchant, Glasgow; (2) Isabel, married James Dougal of Easterhouse, merchant, Glasgow; (3) Jean; (4) Joanna, married *first* Alexander Cunningham, merchant, Glasgow, and *secondly* John Barns of Kirkhill; (5) Christian.

Robert Houston, afterwards Robert Houston Rae, had four children, George, Robert, Alexander, and Elizabeth, who all died without issue. In the *Glasgow Directory* of 1789 he appears as "Houston, Robert, of Aikenhead, Esqr., Counting House, Argyle Street,

facing Queen Street," from which we may conclude that the firm had their office in the house in which Alexander Houston had at one time resided.

Robert Houston became Robert Houston-Rae by succeeding his uncle, Colin Rae, in the estate of Little Govan. The Raes had an old connection with Glasgow. At one time they were owners of Tannochside, in the Parish of Bothwell; Hamilton describes it as "belonging to Rae, Baillie in Glasgow, a well-built house with gardens, well enclosed and kept in good condition." This was Robert Rae, Bailie in 1658, 1662, and 1666, Dean of Guild in 1668 and 1670, and Preceptor of Hutchesons' Hospital, 1661-63. In 1665, a Robert Rae, probably the bailie, was part owner of a privateer "friggate, the George of Glasgow," sixty tons or thereby of burden, provided with "five pieces of ordnance, thirty-two muskets or firelocks, twelve half picks, eighteen pol-axes, thirty swords, three barrells of powder, and with victuals and other necessary provision for six month's stay at sea, with a crew of sixty." John Rae of Little Govan married, in 1688, Elizabeth, second daughter of James Dunlop, second of Garnkirk, and Robert Rae of Tannochside married Elizabeth (born

1698), sixth daughter of James Dunlop, third of Garnkirk. By her he had a son, Colin, afterwards of Little Govan, and two daughters, Elizabeth, Mrs. Houston, and Christina, married to John Finlay, merchant, Glasgow. It is only a conjecture, but possibly John Rae who married the daughter of James Dunlop II. was a son, and Robert Rae of Tannochside a grandson of the Bailie. Colin Rae succeeded to Little Govan, and married on 12th February, 1767, Margaret, daughter of Sir John Stuart of Castlemilk, who succeeded to the Milton estate on the death of her brother Francis in 1793. Colin Rae had one child, Robert, who going up to his donkey in its stall one day was knocked down and trampled to death. Had this child lived and had descendants, what a magnificent estate his representatives would now possess—the great Milton estates, said now to be worth nearly £40,000 a year, Aikenhead, and all Polmadie, and Little Govan, out of a part of which the Dixons made such a fortune. Colin Rae having lost his only child resolved to make Robert Houston, the second son of his sister Elizabeth, his heir. Accordingly, in 1788, he conveyed the estate of Aikenhead to Robert Houston, and on 19th December in that year he executed a Bond and Deed of Tailzie

in his nephew's favour of the rest of his estates Robert Houston Rae succeeded to his uncle's property on the latter's death on 7th August, 1790. But he did not enjoy the property for long. In 1795 the firm of Alexander Houston and Co. of which he was a partner failed. The other partners were his brother Andrew, William M'Dowall of Garthland and Castle Sempill, Lord Lieutenant of Renfrewshire, and in 1795 member for the Glasgow burghs, and his brother, Provost James M'Dowall. It was one of the greatest failures that Glasgow has ever seen; indeed, except the Western and City of Glasgow Banks, probably the greatest. A special Act of Parliament had to be passed for the winding up, under which Charles Selkrig, Accountant, Edinburgh, was appointed trustee. From an Interim Report which he issued before the estate was fully realized it appears that he had received £629,866 1s. 9d. and £157,597 1s. 1d. more had passed through the hands of the English trustees. Ultimately the creditors were paid in full, but the Houstons were ruined.

The present representative of the Houstons is Major James Flower Houston, R.A., of Clerkington, in the County of Haddington, great grandson of Andrew Houston, eldest son of Alexander Houston of Jordanhill.

RICHARD MARSHALL.

Richard Marshall was son of Colonel Hubert Marshall of Hull. He was born about 1738, and in 1755 entered the army as an ensign in the 51st Foot, became a lieutenant in the 1st Royals (now the Royal Scots) in 1757, and was severely wounded at the Siege of Louisburg. He quitted the army with the rank of captain and settled in Glasgow, owing probably to his having married Margaret Bogle, daughter of Matthew Bogle, third son of John Bogle of Hamilton Farm, who was second son of George Bogle of Daldowie. By her he had two children—(1) Hubert, born 1772, died 1804, barrack-master of Dumbarton, and (2) Martha married William Bogle, Postmaster of Glasgow, third son of Robert Bogle of Shettleston. Hubert Marshall married Janet, eldest daughter of John Stirling of Cordale and Tillichewan, and left issue—(1) the late General Hubert Marshall of the Indian army, and (2) Janet, married to Sir William Hamilton of Preston, Professor of Logic in the University of Edinburgh. General Marshall left a large family, but the only one of his children now connected with Glasgow

is Hubert Marshall of the Bank of Scotland, Hillhead.

Richard Marshall was a partner of the firm of Marshall, M'Dowall & Co., Rum Importers and West India Merchants, West side of Queen Street, and of Robert Bogle & Co. He was Bailie in 1778 and 1790. In the *Glasgow Directory* of 1789 he is entered as Master of Police, but it is said in *Glasgow Past and Present* (1884), III. 192, that, in consequence of popular opposition, the Bill to provide for a Police Force, including his appointment as Superintendent, was lost. Subsequently he was appointed barrack-master of Glasgow and Dumbarton, and died in 1796.

When the Royal Glasgow Volunteers, afterwards the 83rd Regiment, were raised, Mr. Marshall subscribed £50 towards the expense, being one of thirty who subscribed that sum or upwards.

JOHN BAIRD.

John Baird of Craigton in the county of Dumbarton, near Milngavie. He had property in, and carried on business with, the West Indies. In 1772, owing ot

the commercial crisis caused by the failure of Douglas, Heron & Co., "The Ayr Bank," his firm of Simson, Baird and Co. stopped payment. Craigton (which his father had bought in 1740), with Spittal Tombuy were conveyed to trustees for the creditors, and in 1776 were sold to Colin Douglas of Mains. Mr. Baird's town house was 138 Trongate, where he had a long narrow strip of garden going back to Ingram Street, and which now forms the *solum* of Brunswick Street. This garden was kept in grass for the purpose of exercising his horses, with a leaping bar covered with whin, and a tan gallop. Latterly he resided in a house on the east side of Queen Street. Mr. Baird was a man of a liberal mind, and in 1764 subscribed £300 towards the erection of the theatre at Grahamston on part of the site of the present Central Station. He was a member of the Hodge Podge Club and is said to have been a man of most agreeable manners. His notice in Dr. Moore's verses is flattering:

> "Does a merchant, a squire, or a soldier come next,
> Or a medley of all these three characters mixed,
> No better companion than Baird have I known,
> When he apes no man's manners, but sticks to his own."

Mr. Baird's father, also a John Baird, married Martha Graham, and had, besides his successor, two daughters,

(1) "Miss Mally Baird, a beautiful young lady with a handsome fortune" (*Glasgow Journal*, 4th May, 1747), who married Dr. Robert Hamilton, Professor of Anatomy and Botany in the University of Glasgow, 1742-56; and (2) Janet, married, in 1746, James Dennistoun, fourteenth of Colgrain.

JOHN BARNS.

John Barns of Kirkhill, Ayrshire, merchant in Glasgow, better known as "Jacky" Barns. He married Joanna, fourth daughter of Alexander Houston of Jordanhill, and widow of Alexander Cunningham, merchant, Glasgow, but had no children. His Glasgow house was one of the fine old double tenements on the east side of Millar Street, the steading immediately north of the premises of the Western, afterwards the Clydesdale, Bank. Mr. Barns died on 10th April, 1791. M'Ure mentions (p. 166, ed. 1830) among "several persons eminent for promoting of trade," certain persons of the name of Barns in Glasgow, one of whom, John Barns, was Provost in 1682-83-86, but there is no evidence to show that John Barns was of this family. He seems to have come

from Ayrshire. His grandfather, Robert Barns, in Rowhouse of Lainshaw, acquired several properties in that county—Kirkhill from David Montgomery of Lainshaw in 1662, and Over Lochrig and the 25*s.* land of Auchenharvie from Robert Cunninghame of Auchenharvie, the first in 1671 and the second in 1681. He died in or before 1735, and in that year Robert Barns, his eldest son, obtained a Precept of Clare Constat in these lands. John Barns was son of this second Robert Barns, who granted a Disposition to him of these properties in 1741. In 1789, Mr. Barns executed a Deed of Entail in favour of his grandnephew, James Stevenson afterwards Sir James Stevenson Barns, K.C.B. (see p. 74), grandson of his eldest sister, Mrs. Jean Picken, wife of John Picken, of Ibrox. Failing Sir James and his brother, the estates were to go to the children of his niece, Mrs. Margaret Urie or Graham, wife of Patrick Graham of Limekilns. Sir James Stevenson Barns succeeded to the estates and died in 1850 without issue, when the succession opened to Patrick Graham (afterwards Patrick Graham Barns of Limekilns and Kirkhill), eldest son of Alexander, second son of Margaret Urie and Patrick Graham, and grandnephew of John

Barns. Kirkhill now belongs to Allan Graham Barns Graham, the eldest surviving son of Patrick Graham of Robshill, W.S.

JOHN CAMPBELL, JUN.

Mr. Campbell was a partner of the firm of Ingram & Campbell, merchants and insurance brokers at the back of the old Exchange at the Cross. He was called junior, to distinguish him from John Campbell, senior, the well-known West India merchant. His father was John Campbell of Succoth and his elder brother was Sir Ilay Campbell, Lord President of the Court of Session. In the year 1786 he was Bailie and in 1788-89 Provost. Mr. Campbell ultimately gave up Glasgow and business on being appointed Receiver-General for Scotland. At one time he resided in a house at the head of the east side of Jamaica Street of which the following advertisement appeared in the *Glasgow Mercury* of 2nd November, 1790. "To be sold by public sale in the Tontine Tavern, at one o'clock upon Wednesday, the 10th of November current. That house in Jamaica Street, at present possessed by Provost Campbell, consisting of eight

good rooms, a large kitchen, cellars, and garret-rooms, with a stable, coach-house, and other conveniences. Any person inclining to purchase by private bargain may apply to Mr. Robert Finlay, Miller Street."

ALEXANDER STEVENSON.

Alexander Stevenson, M.D., of Dalgain, in the Parish of Sorn and County of Ayr. He was the son of a physician in Edinburgh, but graduated at Glasgow, where he practised as a physician. He was admitted a member of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons in Glasgow in 1756, and was President 1757-58. In 1766 he was appointed Professor of the Practice of Medicine in the University of Glasgow, and held the Chair till 1789, when he resigned and died two years later. Dr. Stevenson took an active part in the establishment of the Royal Infirmary, but died before it was opened. He resided first in the High Street, and latterly on the east side of Virginia Street. Dr. Stevenson married Jean Picken, only child of John Picken of Ibrox and Jean Barns, his wife, a sister of John Barns of Kirkhill, and had three children—(1) John, an advo-

cate, died unmarried shortly after 1812 ; (2) James, afterwards Sir James Stevenson Barns of Kirkhill, K.C.B., colonel of the 20th Foot. Sir James, who was a distinguished Peninsular officer, joined the First Royals (now the Royal Scots) as ensign on 11th July, 1792, and served with them under General O'Hara at Toulon till its evacuation : in 1794 he served in the campaign in Holland, where he was wounded : he accompanied the expedition to Ferrol in 1800 and to Egypt in 1801, and served throughout the whole of the campaign to the surrender of Alexandria : he was in the unfortunate Walcheren expedition of 1809 : and he served in Spain, Portugal, and France, from March, 1810, to the end of the war in 1814 : he received the Gold Cross for Busaco, Salamanca (where he was severely wounded), St. Sebastian, and the Nive (where he commanded the third battalion of the Royals), and the silver war medal, with three clasps, for Fuentes d'Honor, Badajoz and Nivelle. Altogether, Sir James seems to have crammed into twenty-two years about as much fighting as most men. He succeeded to Kirkhill under an Entail executed by his granduncle, John Barns, and died without issue on 5th October, 1850; (3) Jean, who died unmarried.

Dalgain was a small property which from before 1600 had belonged to a family of Mitchells. It was bought from the last of these Mitchells by Dr. Stevenson's father. The doctor's eldest son John succeeded to the estate, and it was sold after his death. It now forms part of the estate of Sorn. Dr. Stevenson was a Hodge Podger, and is thus hit off by Dr. Moore:

> "An obsequious Doctor appears next in view,
> Who smoothly glides in with a minuet bow,
> In manners how soft! in apparel how trig!
> With a vast deal of physic contain'd in his wig."

The doctor was honoured by an epitaph by John Dunlop, which is printed in Strang's *Glasgow and its Clubs* (1857), p. 46.

WILLIAM MURE.

William Mure of Caldwell, in the County of Renfrew. His father, also William Mure, one of the Barons of the Exchequer in Scotland, married Katherine, daughter of James Graham of Easdale, second son of John Graham of Dougalston, and a Lord of Session under the title of Lord Easdale. William Mure succeeded in 1776, and in 1791 married Anne,

daughter of Sir James Hunter Blair of Dunskey, by whom he had issue. Among other children, he had William,[1] the historian of Greek Literature, who succeeded to him, and David, Lord Mure, who lately resigned his judgeship in the Court of Session. Mr. Mure died in 1831. The Mures are one of the oldest families in Renfrewshire, and, according to the historian Crawfurd, have held Caldwell from before 1409.

ROBERT DUNSMORE.

Robert Dunmore or Dunsmore, as the name was sometimes spelt, was a merchant in Glasgow. In the *Directory* of 1789 he is entered as "Dunmore, Robert, & Co., merchants, Lodgings, West side of Miller Street, Counting house, back of the house." The first of that family we find in Glasgow is Robert Dunsmore or Dunmoor, merchant in Glasgow, who died on 14th October, 1744, aged 49, and left £15 stg. to the Poor of the Merchants' House. His third son, Thomas Dunmore, is said to have been a Virginia merchant.

[1] Colonel Mure, who was both a scholar and a laird, is said to have been one of the most universally supercilious men ever known. He despised scholars because they were not lairds, and lairds because they were not scholars.

He must have been a man trusted by his fellow-citizens for he was appointed, along with John Neilson, to provide the "twelve thowsand linnen shirts" demanded by the Highlanders when they occupied Glasgow in the '45. In 1749 he bought Bankhead, then a portion of Ruchill, upon which he built the house on the north bank of the Kelvin, afterwards known as Kelvinside, in which the late Matthew Montgomerie lived for many years. He also planted the woods which still help to make that river "the most picturesque sewer in Europe," as it was called by a caustic stranger. Thomas Dunmore died about 1790, having previously conveyed Kelvinside to his son, Robert Dunmore, the subject of this notice. Robert Dunmore married the daughter and heiress of John Napier of Ballikinrain, his partner; on Mr. Napier's death he succeeded to Ballikinrain. He built a small cotton mill on the Endrick at Balfron, afterwards known as the Ballindalloch Works, and was one of the earliest cotton spinners in Scotland.

Robert Dunmore's present representative is Elizabeth Agnes Dunmore Napier, wife of Major Charles Graham Stirling of Craigbarnet, formerly of the 42nd Regiment.

JAMES M'DOWALL.

James M'Dowall was second son of William M'Dowall, second of Castle Sempill. He married Isobel, daughter of Peters of Crossbasket, and had three daughters and one son, William, Comptroller of Customs at Greenock. He was an active citizen and served the town as Bailie in 1786-89, Provost in 1790-91, and Treasurer in 1793. Provost M'Dowall was one of the first feuars in Buchanan Street. When that street was laid off he bought plots 5 and 6 on the west side, nearly opposite the entrance to the Arcade. His house stood back from the street, with a court in front entered by a fine wrought-iron gate. This house was afterwards the counting-house of John Campbell, Sen., & Co. When they left the house Mungo Nutter Campbell, thrifty soul, took the iron gate with him, and it is now, or was till lately, the avenue gate at Ballimore on Loch Fyne. James M'Dowall was a partner in Alexander Houston & Co. After the failure of that firm he removed to Milton, near Bowling, where he had a print work and afterwards a small cotton weaving factory, where the first power looms in Scotland were erected and worked. His three daughters married respectively

three Lords of Session—Henry Cockburn, Lord Cockburn; Thomas Maitland, Lord Dundrennan; and John Fullarton, Lord Fullarton.

JOHN DUNLOP.

John Dunlop of Rosebank, merchant, Glasgow. He was descended from John Dunlop, merchant burgess of Glasgow, third son of James (a peculiarly Dunlop name) Dunlop of that ilk, in the parish of Dunlop and County of Ayr. This first John Dunlop, besides being a merchant, was a banker after the fashion of his time, and made money. In 1634 he acquired the lands of Garnkirk, and died in 1662. He had one son, James, (I) who was a member of the Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow, and married in 1654 Elizabeth, daughter of James Roberton of Bedlay, afterwards Lord Bedlay. Of this marriage there were born James Dunlop (II) and eight other children. James Dunlop (II) was bred to the law and married Lilias, daughter of Robert Campbell of North Woodside. She died in 1709 in childbed at the age of thirty-four, after having had sixteen children in nineteen years; there were giants in those days. Colin

Dunlop, afterwards of Carmyle, who doubtless got his name from the Campbells, the thirteenth child of this marriage, was born in 1706. He was a great Glasgow merchant, and built the fine old house still standing second east from Dunlop Street, so named after him. He married Martha Bogle, daughter of John Bogle of Hamilton Farm, and had issue—John, the subject of this notice, born 1744, a son, James, and a daughter, Janet, married to Thomas Donald.

John Dunlop was a merchant in Glasgow, and in the year 1789 he carried on business under the firm of John Dunlop & Co., in "Leeche's Court," south side of the Trongate. Mr. Dunlop's town house was on the west side of Queen Street. For a country house he had Rosebank, close to Cambuslang, then a beautiful place worthy of its name, and now! He served the town as a Bailie in 1785-88, as Dean of Guild in 1792-93, and Provost in 1794-95. He was also a wit, a poet, and a convivial soul who sang a good song. If Dr. Moore's Hodge Podge verse is at all fair he must have been unlike most Dunlops, fat.[1] Mr. Dunlop was unfortunate

[1] "A hogshead rolls forward the worthiest among,
What grumbling and growling it makes at the bung;
'Tis as jolly a cask as ere loaded the ground,
'Tis plump John Dunlop with his belly so round."

in business in Glasgow, and became Collector of Customs at Bo'ness. He was afterwards transferred to Port-Glasgow, where he died on 4th September, 1820. He married Miss Jessie Miller of Glenlee, sister of Lord Glenlee, and had one child, John Colin Dunlop, Sheriff of Renfrewshire, author of *The History of Fiction*, who died unmarried 26th January, 1842. John Dunlop is now represented by his grandnephew, James Dunlop of Tolcross. It is a curious illustration of the manners and habits of our ancestors that both John Dunlop and his elder brother, James, who married a Miss Buchanan (grand aunt of Colonel Buchanan of Drumpellier), eloped with their wives.

PETER BLACKBURN.

The Blackburns were a family of some standing in Glasgow. So far back as 1682 William Blackburn married Margaret Murdoch, and so got admission to the highest ranks of the Glasgow burgher aristocracy. His son, John, bought Househill and was father of Peter Blackburn, who was Paper Stamp Master and Collector of the Ale License in Glasgow. He

resided at one time in a flat in King Street, but latterly had his house in the first flat of Shortridge's Land at the north-west corner of Dunlop Street and Argyle Street. This tenement, which is still standing, was built by Bailie John Shortridge (father of John Spreull, the City Chamberlain) in 1761. The houses were excellent, each consisting of a kitchen and eight "fire rooms," with closets to most of the rooms. Peter Blackburn married Helen Cross, sister of William Cross of Parkhouse, and had three daughters, Martha, Agnes, and Marion, who all died unmarried, and one son, John, of whom hereafter. There is a story that Peter Blackburn, for walking in the Green on Sunday was apprehended, and fined by the magistrates under the Act 1661, c. 38, passed under that most religious monarch, Charles II., and that Mr. Blackburn appealed against this conviction, got it quashed by the Supreme Court, and recovered damages from the magistrates. The sole authority for this is Mr. Dugald Bannatyne's "Note Book," quoted in the *New Statistical Account of Lanarkshire*, p. 229. There is no report of such a case, and none of the writers on Scotch Criminal Law seem to be aware of it. This is curious, as it is clear that there must have been some case of the

kind. In a pamphlet entitled *The Former and Present State of Glasgow Contrasted*, 1787, p. 11, the following dialogue occurs :—"*Stranger :* 'What are these people doing at the Cross to-day, walking about and trifling away precious time to no purpose except drawing down judgments on themselves, this City and Nation. I am surprised your Magistrates do not disperse them and call them to account for their conduct to-morrow. When I was here last that laudable custom was followed, why was it dropped?' *Citizen :* 'Our Magistrates continued this custom till some hot-headed fools carried the matter before the Court of Session.'"[1] Mr. Blackburn was a Hodge Podger and is celebrated by Dr. Moore in the following verse :

> "Rough Peter's the next who is about to appear,
> With his weather beat phiz and his heathery hair,
> His humour is blunt and his sayings are snell,
> An excellent heart in a villainous shell."

[1] There is a distinct allusion to the same case in a Sabbatical Pamphlet—"*An Alarm of Danger; being a Testimony against and "Lamentation over the Open Profanation of the Holy Sabbath in the "City of Glasgow.*" Glasgow, 1808, pp. 27, 28.

DAVID CROSS.

David Cross or Crosse was the first Cashier of the Thistle Bank, which was opened on 3rd November, 1761, and is now merged in the Union Bank. He was afterwards a Tobacco merchant, and is believed to have been the Crosse of Dunlop, Crosse, & Co. They were not a large firm. In the *Glasgow Directory* of 1789 he is entered as "Merchant, Adam's Court, south side Argyle St." Dr. Moore gives him a verse in his Hodge Podge poem:

> "Honest David slinks in with a slovenly air,
> Beloved by his friends though o'erlooked by the fair,
> About women or dress he ne'er troubles his head,
> But pulls out his pigtail and takes to the quid."

COLIN DOUGLAS.

Colin Douglas of Mains, in the Parish of New Kilpatrick, and County of Dumbarton, third son of John Douglas of Mains. His elder brother, James, having succeeded to Blythswood in 1767, Colin succeeded to Mains, in terms of the Entail. He died in 1801 and was succeeded by his brother Robert, uncle of the late

John Campbell Douglas. Douglas of Mains descends from Douglas of Dalkeith, now represented by the Earl of Morton. Nicolas Douglas, brother of Sir James Douglas of Dalkeith, married, about 1373, Janet, one of the co-heiresses of the great Lennox family of Galbraith, and received with her the lands of Mains, which have ever since been held by a Douglas.

JOHN WALLACE.

John Wallace of Cairnhill, near Kilmarnock, married Lilias Cuninghame of Craigends, and his second son, born in 1722, was this John Wallace. The Wallaces claim to be of the same family as Sir William Wallace; that has not been proved, but for all that they have a fair pedigree. Our John Wallace was the thirteenth in direct male descent from John Wallace who held Elderslie (Elderslie near Johnstone, not Elderslie on the Clyde) in 1390. Like many other younger sons he pushed his fortunes in the West Indies, and in middle life returned to settle in Glasgow as a merchant, the owner of Cessnock, Glasgow, and Biscany, three fine estates in Jamaica. It was probably from

his Jamaica connection that he became a partner in the King Street Sugar House, and he was also connected with Somervell, Connell, & Co. In 1759 he bought Whitehill from Glassford of Dongalston and lived in that fine old mansion for twenty-three years. In 1782 he moved into Glasgow to Bailie Crawford's (afterwards James Ewing's) house at the top of Queen Street, the site of which is now occupied by the North British Railway Station. He afterwards lived in Madeira Court on the south side of Argyle Street, between Jamaica Street and Robertson Street. In 1792 he bought the estate of Kelly on the southern border of Renfrewshire. He rebuilt the house which had been burnt in 1740, and laid out the gardens and grounds. He was a convivial man, and at Kelly sorely missed the society of his Glasgow friends. At last, in desperation, he used to sit watching the high road which ran close in front of the house, and when he saw a likely person passing, he would rush out and drag him in to share his punch. At least that is the story got from one who might have seen him engaged in some such hospitable assault. "The Wallace line has not been carried on by him; but to do him justice this was no fault of his, for he had three wives

and twenty-one children, not counting his first-born, that died with its young mother in the hour of its birth. She, his first wife, was Anne Murdoch, daughter of Provost John, and grand-daughter of Provost Peter. His second wife, a Porterfield of Duchal, had five children. His third wife, Janet Colquhoun of St. Kitts, had sixteen. One circumstance connected with this last marriage may be noted. The marriage was in 1764, and in 1864 three of the children were living, and in 1873 (one hundred and nine years after the marriage) one of these three, Anne Wallace, who lived to be over 102. The eldest of the sixteen (who was cut off at 95) was Frances Colquhoun, wife of James Murdoch, and grandmother of J. B. Murdoch. Of eight sons of John Wallace only two married, neither of them with issue."—*The Wallaces of Elderslie*, by J. O. Mitchell, Glasgow, 1884, p. 13. There is a portrait of John Wallace in the print by Kay the younger of the "Morning Walk," reproduced at the end of Stewart's *Views and Notices of Glasgow in Former Times*. He is the little old man with a white night-cap under his cocked hat. He died at Kelly in 1805 and was succeeded by his son, Robert Wallace, from 1833 to 1845 M.P. for Greenock.

ROBERT SCOTT.

THERE were two Robert Scotts of Aikenhead. It is most probable that the member was Robert Scott (2). Robert Scott, or Scot, of Aikenhead (1) was a merchant in Glasgow, and in 1789 had his town house on the west side of Miller Street. In that year he acquired Aikenhead from Robert Houston. That estate consists of two £5 lands, Meikle Aikenhead and Little Aikenhead, which latter includes the lands of Broadlee and Woodside. The lands lie near Glasgow, and their history for the last two centuries and a half is a homily on the uncertainty of trade. William Maxwell, first of Aikenhead, was third son of Sir John Maxwell of Pollok and Isabella Lindsay. The Maxwells held these lands till 1611, when John Maxwell conveyed them to James Hamilton, merchant in Glasgow, and Elizabeth Adam his spouse, in liferent and fee, and Robert Hamilton, their eldest son. In 1767 the trustees for the creditors of James Hamilton, the then proprietor, sold Little Aikenhead with the mansion house to Colin Rae of Little Govan. In 1788, Mr. Rae conveyed them to his nephew, Robert Houston, who in the following year sold them to Robert Scott.

Mr. Scott died in 1805 and his son Robert Scott (2), rum merchant, and a partner in the Thistle Bank, was served heir to him on the 11th December of that year. In 1806 Robert Scott (2) conveyed these lands to trustees for his creditors, and in 1808 they were bought by John Gordon, of the great house of Somervell, Gordon, & Co. Mr. Gordon built the two wings (the main body of the house had been built by one of the Scotts), and dying in 1828 was succeeded by his son, the present proprietor. Robert Scott (2) afterwards owned Dumbreck, which he acquired under the Deed of Settlement of William Woddrop of Dumbreck. He was one of the leading men in the management of the Three-mile House Road Trust. An eager, impetuous man, he took an intense dislike to the steam road carriage which, in 1834, ran from Glasgow to Paisley. It was said that to impede it as much as possible he ordered the road to be heavily metalled, and so was innocently the cause of the bad accident in the end of July, 1834. The boiler burst, and it was whispered that it had been overtaxed to get sufficient power to drive the carriage over the freshly laid metal. His name gave rise to a fairly good pun by Miss Sym. Happening to look very gloomy one

day in her presence she asked him what ailed him. He replied he had a very sore head. "Is that all," said the lady. "Yes, madam," said he, "and I only wish you were me, and you would find what it was." "If I were you," said she, "I'd be Robin Scott of Aikenhead" (robbin' Scott of achin' head).

ARCHIBALD HENDERSON.

Archibald Henderson, son of the Rev. Archibald Henderson of Blantyre, was a Virginia merchant, and a partner of the firm of Archibald Henderson & Co. In 1787 he was Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. His house was in the second flat of the tenement still standing at the south-west corner of Virginia Street. His son, Richard Henderson, W.S., was, on 13th January, 1800, appointed Depute Town Clerk, in succession to John Wilson, advocate.

Archibald Henderson was a member of the Hodge Podge Club, and is celebrated by Dr. Moore:

> "Begot, born, and bred in John Calvin's meek faith,
> How dayst thou thus rage like a Pagan in wrath;
> 'If works without faith do not turn to account,
> G—d—me,' says Archie, 'if my soul shall mount.'"

JAMES DENNISTOUN.

James Dennistoun of Colgrain, second but eldest surviving son of James Dennistoun of Colgrain, who in like manner had been second but eldest surviving son of John Dennistoun of Colgrain, and Jean, only child of Moses Buchanan of Cumming's Glen. The slow stagnation of country life in the last century was not to James Dennistoun, the father's, taste, so he, like many others, came to Glasgow and plunged into business. It is not quite certain when he did so. The Dennistouns were always Church and State men, and something more; and it is said he wished to join the Pretender in the '45, but was dissuaded by his father. He was then a man of forty-five, and though he may have turned to business after being baulked in politics, it is not likely that he waited till he was that age before doing so. Like most men of mark in his day he was in the Virginia trade. First, with George Oswald of Scotstoun, under the firm of Oswald, Dennistoun, & Co., who are sixth on the List of Tobacco Importers of 1774, with a total import of 1,701 hogsheads. Afterwards in partnership with his neighbour and son-in-law, Andrew Buchanan of Arden-

connal, under the firm of Dennistoun, Buchanan, & Co. His residence in 1789 was in Argyle Street, the second flat, first close west from Millar Street. Mr. Dennistoun married (first) in 1746 Janet Baird, daughter of John Baird of Craigton, and sister of John Baird, a member of the Board. By her he had (1) John, who died young; (2) James, who succeeded him, the subject of this note; (3) Jean, who died young; (4) Jean, married in 1769, to Andrew Buchanan of Ardenconnal, and had issue. He married secondly in 1752, Mary, daughter of John Lyon of Parklee, Renfrewshire, by whom he had six sons and one daughter. He died in 1796 at the great age of ninety-six.

James Dennistoun, his son, was also a merchant in Glasgow. He married, first, in 1777, Margaret, daughter of James Donald of Geilston, who died in 1781 after giving birth to a son, James; secondly, Margaret, second daughter of Robert Dreghorn of Blochairn, and by her, who died in 1822, he had four daughters who succeeded to the fortunes of their grandfather and of Robert Dreghorn ("Bob Dragon"). Mr. Dennistoun was Convener and Vice-Lieutenant of Dumbartonshire, and Colonel of the Dumbartonshire Militia. He died in 1816.

LAURENCE CRAIGIE.

Laurence Craigie, son of Laurence Craigie of Dumbarney, W.S., and the handsomest man of his time in Glasgow. He was almost the last man here who wore hair powder. In 1789, he was in business as a merchant, and resided in "Barr's back land, facing the College steps." In 1807 he had become Collector of Cess, a not very laborious post, and resided in No. 8 St. Enoch Square, the southmost house but one on the east side. He took an active part in public affairs and was Bailie in 1792 and again in 1795, Provost in 1798-99, Treasurer in 1801, and Provost a second time in 1802 3. Blind Alick has immortalized him in glowing verse:

> "Laurie Craigie, Willie Smith,
> And likewise Major Alston,
> And many more that I could name,
> There was not one false one."

He married Miss Peggy Maxwell, daughter of John Maxwell, surgeon, Glasgow, sister of John Maxwell of Dargavel, writer, Glasgow, known as John Maxwell, Junr. By her he had (1) John Ernest, a colonel in the army, married Miss Churchill, and had issue;

(2) Laurence, at one time in the West Indies, afterwards in business in Glasgow, married Miss Williams, and had issue; (3) General Sir Patrick Edmonstone Craigie, K.C.B., Colonel of the 55th Foot, married Miss Bell, and had issue; (4) Jessie, unmarried. It is said that Mr. Craigie married Miss Maxwell privately, and that the marriage was only found out by the lady bursting into tears, on hearing he was going out to the West Indies, and sobbing that her dear husband would die or be killed.

DUNCAN CAMPBELL.

Collector of Excise. The Excise office seems to have led a wandering life. In 1787 it was on the south side of the Old Vennel; in 1789 on the east side of Jamaica Street, where Mr. Campbell had his "lodgings;" in 1801 in Miller Street. Mr. William Corbet was appointed Collector of Excise in 1797, so Duncan Campbell probably died or retired in that year.

JOHN HAMILTON.

John Hamilton of Northpark, born 1754, died 1829, three times Provost of Glasgow, was a wine merchant. Latterly, he and his son Archibald were in partnership, under the firm of John Hamilton and Son with their office at 78 Trongate. Mr. Hamilton's residence was the southmost house on the east side of St. Enoch Square. It may have been owing to this circumstance, or to the circumstance of his having been Provost, or perhaps to other causes, that irreverent persons pretended to identify him with Provost Shortridge in "Cyril Thornton" who gave the famous dinner. The Provost married Helen, daughter of Archibald Bogle, a younger son of Robert Bogle of Shettleston. This was doubling the strain of Bogle blood, for his own mother was Mary Bogle of Hamilton Farm. He had a large family by his wife. Among his children were George William, Merchant in Jamaica, the original of the immortal Aaron Bang in "Tom Cringle's Log," William of Northpark, Provost in 1826, and Archibald of Woodside, father of George William Hamilton, now head of the family, and of Helen Bogle, wife of Colin Dunlop Donald (2). North Park from which Provost

Hamilton took his title, was a small property of about twenty-five acres lying between the Botanic Gardens on the west, the Kelvin on the north, and the Great Western Road on the south. It was part of the Twenty shilling Land of old extent of Byres of Partick and Hillhead, and was feued from the Gibsons in various lots between the years 1799 and 1828. In those days there was no access from the east, as the Great Western Road was not begun till 1839. Accordingly, for an avenue, Mr. Hamilton acquired from Mr. Letham, of Kelvinside, a strip of ground twenty feet wide and a quarter of a mile long between his south march and the old Byres or Horselethill Road. The house stood behind the western half of Buckingham Terrace, facing the north, with a fine view of the wooded gorge of the Kelvin, and in the distance the Campsie and Kilpatrick hills. The grounds of Queen Margaret College occupy the site of the garden. The names of the fields are preserved in the titles, and have a strangely rural sound now. The house lot acquired in 1799 was the North Park, which was part of the park formerly called the Meikle Park. Then there was the West Park, the Coal pit Park, and the Clay Millens or Meallens Park.

The feuing of the lands began in 1851, when the late

Mr. Thomas Corbett acquired 28,298 square yards, the site of Buckingham and St. James' Terraces, for a feu-duty of £363 18s. 5d. Taking this feu-duty at twenty years' purchase, Mr. Corbett paid only five shillings and a penny halfpenny per square yard for this ground. The Provost's name is still preserved in Hamilton Drive and Hamilton Park (it should have been North Park) Terrace.

WILLIAM CLARK.

William Clark of Kerse, Lesmahagow, at one time Collector of Customs in Glasgow. Born at Glasgow about 1748, died at Rothesay, 1830.

JOHN BUCHANAN OF CARSTON.

John Buchanan was son of James Buchanan of Carston, in the Parish of Killearn, and brother of Archibald Buchanan of Catrine, a partner in James Finlay & Co. In the Directory of 1789 Mr. Buchanan is designed as "of Carston, Merchant, Oswald's Land, Stockwell." He was a friend of Sir Richard Arkwright, and his

first Agent in Scotland. He never married, and was succeeded in Carston by his nephew, James Buchanan, son of George Buchanan of Woodlands, who sold it. It now forms part of the Moss Estate. It is remarkable that from one small estate in Killearn there came four men who took a high position in Glasgow commerce. John Buchanan of Carston; his brother Archibald, of James Finlay & Co.; and his two other brothers, James and George, who were "English Merchants and Dealers in Cotton Yarn."

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL.

Colonel Archibald Campbell, who resided at Finlayston. The only notice of him that can be found is in the third volume of Peter Mackenzie's *Old Reminiscences and Remarkable Characters of Glasgow*, Glasgow, 1875, page 48. Peter says, "At one of his revelries young Graham of Gartmore borrowed from Colonel Archibald Campbell £1,000 of ready cash, offering as an inducement for the loan, which went as other loans did at the gambling table, to give Finlaystone House and its appendages rent free for all the days and years of the

Colonel's life. The thing was agreed to on the spur of the moment, and it is the fact that Colonel Campbell afterwards came and took up his permanent quarters in that fine residence, which he occupied on the above tenure for fully more than thirty years. It was interest with a vengeance for £1,000. Colonel Campbell died, leaving a considerable fortune, which he took good care to preserve for his only (natural) son, who is now one of our greatest landlords in the Highlands of Scotland." Mr. Cuninghame Graham, on being applied to for information said all he could discover was that a Colonel Campbell did at one time buy the liferent of Finlayston.

PATRICK CARNEGIE.

Patrick Carnegie, known as "Captain" Carnegie, was a Wine Merchant under the firm of Patrick Carnegie & Co., 10 Queen Street. He resided at 604 Argyle Street. He was a great *bon vivant*, and anxious in his hospitality, carrying his anxiety to the length of personally looking after the cooking on any special occasion. From knowledge of this habit arose the

following riddle:—Why is a dinner at Peter Carnegie's like a haddock?—Because each dish bears the mark of Peter's thumb.

His brother, John Carnegie, Merchant, 77 King Street, who was nicknamed "Sir John," was eccentric. Among other whims he had a bust of himself made, from which he had twelve plaster casts taken. These were nailed up in boxes and kept in his house addressed to twelve friends, "to be delivered after my death." Dr. Strang described him in *Glasgow and its Clubs* (ed. 1856), p. 503, thus: "Mr. John Carnegie (commonly called Sir John) was a poetaster and would-be satirist. The windows of the mansion house of Ardgarten on Loch Long bear evidence of his rhyming propensity. He was the *Mr. Bobby Downwards* of 'Northern Sketches' and was a character in his day."

WILLIAM M'DOWALL.

William M'Dowall of Garthland and Castle Semple. The M'Dowalls are not a Glasgow family, and they were here for only three generations. But their stay if short, was brilliant, and ended in one of the greatest

commercial disasters ever known in Glasgow.[1] They were of the M'Dowalls of Garthland in Wigtonshire. Colonel William M'Dowall, a younger son of Garthland's, happening to be quartered in St. Kitts, married Miss Milliken of that island, with whom he is said to have got a large fortune. On his return home he bought in 1727 the Barony of Castle Semple from Hugh, the eleventh Lord Sempill. In the same year he bought from Daniel Campbell of Shawfield "the great and stately lodging, orchyard and gardens" on the north side of the Trongate. What with the price he got for the house and the compensation he got from the Town for the damage done in the riot of 1725, Shawfield must have made a very good thing of it. Colonel M'Dowall died in 1748, and was succeeded by his eldest son, William, who married Elizabeth, daughter of James Graham of Airth, and had with other children, William, and James M'Dowall, Provost of Glasgow. In 1760 William M'Dowall bought Garthland from his cousin, another William M'Dowall. This cousin died without issue, and William M'Dowall of Castle Semple became representative of the M'Dowalls of Garthland, almost a pre-

[1] The stoppage about 1795 of Alexander Houston & Company.

historic family. He died in 1786, and was succeeded by his elder son, William, who died unmarried, 2nd May, 1810. He was Member of Parliament for Renfrewshire, 1783-84; for Ayrshire, 1789-90; Glasgow Burghs, 1790-1802; and Renfrewshire, 1802 till his death. Mr. M'Dowall was a man of the highest standing in the West of Scotland, and in 1793 was appointed Lord-Lieutenant of Renfrewshire. He was a partner in Alexander Houston & Co., and owing to the failure of that firm had to sell Castle Semple and his other estates, including Garthland.

JAMES BUCHANAN.

THERE is some difficulty in identifying this James Buchanan. He may be either James Buchanan of Dowanhill, born at Finnich in 1756, died at Dowanhill, 1844; or James Buchanan, *Tertius*, nicknamed "The Breeze," for years the secretary and dictator of the Jumble; or he may be James Buchanan, brother of John Buchanan of Carston, and a partner in the firm of J. & G. Buchanan, described in the *Directory* of 1789 as "English merchants and dealers in cotton yarn,

Warehouse, Oswald's Close, Stockwell." It is thought that the last-named is the man. In the opinion of those who should know, Dowanhill was not likely to have belonged to this Club ; and the place of the name in the roll indicates an older man than "The Breeze." Besides, Mr. Buchanan does not appear in the minute book as a resident efficient member in 1810. Had this been James Buchanan, *Tertius*, he would have been resident and efficient at that date.

KIRKMAN FINLAY.

Kirkman Finlay, born in Glasgow, 1773, died at Castle Toward, 1842 ; son of James Finlay, "Merchant and manufacturer, Lodgings, Crawford's Land, Bell's Wynd," who was son of Finlay of Moss in the parish of Killearn, Stirlingshire.

Kirkman Finlay was for many years head of the great house of James Finlay & Co., who were originally manufacturers. This firm owed its birth to a suggestion by John Gordon of Stirling, Gordon, & Co., to Archibald Smith, first of Jordanhill, that they should start a cotton spinning business, and

that Kirkman Finlay should be the managing partner. This was agreed to, and the business was started under the name of James Finlay, Kirkman's father. They bought the Ballindalloch Works on the Endrick, in 1798; Catrine on the Ayr, in 1801, from the ubiquitous David Dale; and Deanston on the Teith, in 1808. The last two the firm still hold. Kirkman Finlay did more than spin good yarns. He took a leading part in wresting the monopoly of the East India trade from the Company, and when that trade was opened, he showed the way to the East to the Glasgow merchants. When Napoleon tried to close the Continental trade to the English by the Berlin and Milan decrees, Kirkman established an extensive system of running the blockade. Other men may have made more money, but no one did more to foster and extend the trade of Glasgow. Those who knew him and all the men of his time and since hailed him as *facile princeps* among Glasgow merchants. But he was more than a mere man of business. In everything that went on in Glasgow, he took a leading part. He was Governor of the Forth and Clyde Navigation, eight times President of the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce, Dean of Guild, Lord Provost, Member

for the City, Dean of Faculty, and Lord Rector of the University. Blind Alick sang of him—

> "And there was our noble Member,
> Kirkman Finlay he was hight.
> When he's in St. Stephen's Chapel,
> He does dress always by the right."

Mr. Finlay married Janet, daughter of John Struthers, Brewer at the Greenhead, and by her had three sons, James and John, both partners in James Finlay & Co., and Alexander Struthers, sometime in Ritchie, Stewart, & Co. of Bombay, and latterly of Castle Toward. In the year 1820, Kirkman Finlay began to buy land at Toward and gradually built up the estate now known as Castle Toward. It was then a bare enough place, but the old gentleman planted four million of trees, which have grown into the fine woods round the house and up the hill side. In private life he was one of the most charming of men, full of jokes and fun, but with all his brightness, he was apt at times to give way to despondency, especially when pressed by business troubles. Once under dread of some pecuniary disaster he resolved to put down his carriage, and told his coachman to bring the horses round to the front of the house that he might shoot them as he could

not afford to keep them any longer. The coachman suggested that it might be well to wait till their market value was ascertained, for perhaps they were worth more than Mr. Finlay seemed to think. To this Mr. Finlay agreed, and the difficulty being soon tided over, nothing more was heard of shooting the horses.

His town house was on the west side of Queen Street. It had been built about 1775, by James Ritchie of Busbie, a tobacco lord, and one of the "four young men"; a handsome house of two stories, with two windows on each side of the door, much in the style of Provost Dunlop's house in Argyle Street. There is a drawing of it in Stewart's *Views and Notices of Glasgow*, p. 99. The head office of the National Bank now occupies its site.

JAMES WATSON.

James Watson, banker, Glasgow, of the firm of J. & R. Watson. His father, David Watson, owned Stobcross,[1] and was a merchant in Glasgow who did

[1] In 1776 Mr. Watson bought the whole of Stobcross, west of Finnieston Street, extending to nearly twenty-two acres imperial, for

a little banking in the way of taking the notes of country banks at a discount of one penny per pound. He had four sons, James, Robert, Gilbert, and Thomas. Thomas was a yarn merchant, and father of the late David Watson, who, with his partner, James Kay Brown, had probably the last private bank in Glasgow.

James and Robert Watson extended the business commenced by their father, and about the close of last century opened a bank in Leitch's Court, Trongate. In 1800 they removed to a back tenement up one stair in Post Office Court. They remained there till 1828, when they removed to a new tenement which they had built for a banking house on the west side of Virginia Street, near Argyle Street. They were agents in Glasgow for the National Bank of Scotland, and for several country banks, and had also a large business as private bankers. On 26th December, 1830, their office in Virginia Street was broken into, and about £6,200 stolen, which

£3,000 and a small feu-duty. He died in 1783, and his trustees sold the lands for £3,750. In 1844 the same property was sold for £58,246, and parts have since been sold at £5 a square yard. At that price, the estate bought by David Watson in 1776 for £3,000 would be worth over half a million.

was never recovered. In 1831 William Heath and Elizabeth Turnley were tried here for the crime; Mrs. Turnley was acquitted, but Heath was convicted and hanged. He seems to have managed to get into the bank from time to time, generally on Sundays, and to have got impressions of the keys of the safes, etc. From these impressions he made false keys with which he effected the robbery. "While under sentence of death this villain confessed that he had nearly committed murder. One Sunday before the robbery he was in the bank trying the false keys, and one of the gentlemen of the bank happened to come in unexpectedly. The robber had only time to glide behind a door which stood ajar. He saw the gentleman sit down, read a letter, and afterwards go out. The robber had a drawn dagger in his hand, and declared that if the gentleman had discovered him, he would at once have stabbed him to the heart."—*Glasgow Past and Present* (1884), vol. I., page 504. Messrs. J. & R. Watson suspended payment in June, 1832. The Virginia Street premises were sold to the Glasgow Union Banking Company (now the Union Bank of Scotland), who removed thither in 1833 from their first office, up a stair in Post Office Court. They sold

their Post Office Court property to the National Bank, who had their first Glasgow office there.

James Watson married Janet, daughter of the Rev. James Scott, D.D., minister of Carluke, but had no children. He died in or about the year 1817, and was succeeded in the bank by his brother Gilbert, a W.S. in Edinburgh. Mr. Watson was a man of culture, and is said to have been a poet, but none of his poems have been preserved.

WILLIAM SMITH.

William Smith of Muirbank, near Rutherglen. He was agent in Glasgow for the Messrs. Murray, cotton spinners in Manchester. In 1787 his "ware-room" was in Lees Closs on the north side of the Trongate. In the *Glasgow Directory* of 1789 he appears as "Smith, William, tobacco and cotton twist merchant, Reid's Land, south side of Argyle Street." He was also at one time a partner in Dunlop, Smith & Co., general merchants. He had, with other children, two sons (1) James, minister at Greenock, afterwards Free Church minister there, and latterly of Ryde, Isle of Wight, where he died in 1886, aged ninety; (2)

William, yarn agent in Glasgow; and four daughters, (1) Margaret, first wife of James Burns of Kilmahew; (2) Agnes, wife of John Robertson Reid of Gallowflat, mother of Francis Robertson Reid; (3) Ellen, wife of Alexander Glasgow; (4) Janet, wife of Henry Delamaine, Isle of Wight. Mr. Smith died in 1818. Muirbank afterwards belonged to James Watson, of the firm of James Watson & Co., iron merchants, and now belongs to William Smith Dixon's trustees.

JOHN MAXWELL.

John Maxwell of Dargavel, a man of great wit and humour. His father, also John Maxwell of Dargavel, was in 1769 admitted a member of the Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow, and had a large business. He added "Junior" to his name to distinguish him from John Maxwell of Fingalton, another Glasgow writer. The son followed his father's business, but did not carry it on very energetically. He seems at times indeed to have preferred his jest to his client, as the following story shows. He was consulted one day by John Hamilton (who did not care for jokes) about entailing North Park. "What, Mr. Hamilton," said

he, "entail North Park! Would you tether a flea?" In the male line he was a Hall of Fulbar, and claimed to be chief of the name. In the female line he represented the Maxwells of Dargavel in Renfrewshire, who were cadets of Newark, from whom the first Dargavel got the lands in 1522. The Maxwells of Newark were cadets of Calderwood, who were cadets of Pollok. In John Maxwell's time the house of Dargavel was the uncomfortable old fortalice built in 1584, so he resided in Glasgow, in a house on the west side of Queen Street with a pleasant garden behind it full of good pear and apple trees. The house has been taken down, and its site is occupied by the building in which Lang's restaurant is situated. Mr. Maxwell was never married, and on his death in 1830 he was succeeded by his brother William, for long a well known citizen of Glasgow. Many of the latter's pithy sayings are still remembered. On one occasion he complained to his butcher that a certain leg of mutton had been bad. The butcher assured him that was impossible, as the sheep was a very fine sheep, and had been fed in Lord Blantyre's own park. "I don't care, sir," said the old gentleman, "though the sheep had been fed in the kingdom of heaven; the mutton was bad."

William Maxwell married Mary, daughter of John Campbell, senior, and had nine sons and four daughters. He was rather a Spartan father, and, it was said, taught his sons to swim by the simple expedient of throwing them out of a boat into deep water. Six of these sons went into the army.

For many years before his death, John Maxwell was paralyzed, and early in the century he handed over his business to Colin Dunlop Donald. It is now represented by the firm of M'Grigor, Donald & Co. The oldest law firm in Glasgow is Hill & Hoggan. Next to it comes Mitchells, Johnston & Co., founded certainly in 1751, and perhaps a few years earlier. Then comes M'Grigor, Donald & Co., whose business dates from 1769.

CHARLES CAMPBELL.

Charles Campbell of Leckuarie, a merchant in Glasgow. Leckuarie is a long narrow strip of land running back into the moor from the valley of the river Add, in the Parish of Glassary, Argyleshire. Charles Campbell bought it in 1792, and on his death

was succeeded by his eldest daughter, Isabella Anne, wife of Major Neil Campbell of the East India Company's Service, fourth son of Colin Campbell of Kilmartin. It was sold in 1871 to Mr. Malcolm of Poltalloch.

Mr. Campbell's counting-house was in Glassford Street, and his residence in Turner's Court. He was a member of the Highland Society, and at one time treasurer.

THOMAS CRAIGIE.

Major Thomas Craigie, a bachelor. He was a younger brother of Laurence Craigie, and resided chiefly in Edinburgh.

COLIN M'LACHLAN.

Colin M'Lachlan was a merchant in Glasgow, and a partner in the firm of G. & R. Dennistoun & Co., West India merchants. Latterly he resided principally at Ardmore, between Cardross and Helensburgh.

WILLIAM CORBET.

William Corbet, Collector of Excise. Mr. Corbet was born 15th December, 1755, and married Jean M'Adam, of Kirkcudbright, on 18th May, 1785. He was appointed Collector of Excise at Glasgow in 1797, and died at Meadowside, Partick, on 16th September, 1811. He had several children by his wife, but he has now no descendants in Glasgow. His house was No. 14 Miller Street, next door to the Excise Office, which in 1811 was No. 13.

HENRY MONTEITH.

Henry Monteith of Carstairs, born at Anderston, 1765, died at Carstairs House, 14th December, 1848, son of James Monteith, an Anderston manufacturer. In early life Henry Monteith was a manufacturer in Anderston. Afterwards he had a factory at Barrowfield for weaving Bandanna handkerchiefs. He used always to get his handkerchiefs from this factory, and to the day of his death he was charged the old price, as his successors did not like to let him know the sad decline in values. Latterly the chief seat of his busi-

ness was at Blantyre, where he had extensive bleaching, calico printing, and Turkey-red dyeing works. Mr. Monteith was twice Lord Provost—in 1815-16, and again in 1819, the year of the "Radical war," and 1820. In 1819, when the town was expecting an attack by the Radicals, the Glasgow Sharpshooters were stationed the whole of one night in St. George's Church. By the Provost's orders, the bugles were sent out in the early morning to march sounding through the town. The general commanding the troops was disgusted at this, as he said it would give the rioters the idea that all was ready, and so keep them from attacking. But the Provost answered that his object was to save bloodshed as far as possible, and that what he wanted was to scare the Radicals, not to kill them. It was at this time that Blind Alick sang of him—

"Brave Provost Monteith,
Tho' he's of stature plump,
He would have sliced the Radicals
Like a round of beef or rump."

Mr. Monteith, notwithstanding his pity for the Radicals, was an unbending Tory. He was member for the Linlithgow Burghs, 1820-26, for Saltash, 1826-30, and for the Linlithgow Burghs again, 1830-31. He was a good natured man, if a little pompous,

and wisely fond of good eating and drinking. Though good natured, he could on occasion give way to wrath. The Post Office in Princes Street was very small, and there used to be great crowding when the mail came in, and the letters were given out. On one occasion a quarrel took place at the window of the Post Office between Henry Monteith and Robert Watson, the banker. From high words they came to blows and had a fair set to in Princes Street. It is said that in the scolding, Mr. Monteith had the best of it, but when it came to fists, the banker showed himself the better man. Mr. Monteith had an enviably easy temperament. On one occasion his firm was in serious trouble, and some person having occasion to see him on business on a day that he was not in Glasgow, went out to his country house, where he found Mr. Monteith getting his hay stacked, as if there were nothing else of importance in the world. A curious story, showing the exclusiveness of Glasgow society in last century, is told of his first entrance to fashionable life. As a young man he went to an assembly, and his appearance there was resented. Accordingly, next day a notice was put up on one of the pillars in the Tontine News Room to the effect that if the young

gentleman who attended the Assembly last night went to another, he would go out quicker than he came in.

His changes of residence are instructive. In 1789, his house was on the third flat, Lightbody's Land, south side Bell's Wynd. In 1807, he had gone to 52 Miller Street, in 1811 he resided at 38 St. Vincent Street, and finally he removed to Carstairs, where he built the present house. He was twice married (1) to Christina, daughter of J. Cameron of Over Carntyne, and (2) to Sarah Fullerton, daughter of his predecessor in Carstairs.

JOHN LECKIE.

John Leckie of Broich (now Arngomery), a writer in Glasgow, was son and heir of William Leckie of Broich, who died 18th February, 1799, aged 81. William Leckie was of an old Stirlingshire family, and had at one time been a surgeon in Jamaica. He bought Broich from George Edmonstone in 1753. John Leckie was succeeded in Broich by his brother, Buchanan Leckie, a partner of Leckie & Ewing, manufacturers, Glasgow. He sold the estate to his nephew, William Leckie Ewing, son of Isabella Leckie and Robert Ewing, who changed the name to Arngomery, the name of one of

the farms. The estate is situated partly in Perthshire and partly in Stirlingshire. In that district the counties are a little mixed. The late Robert Galbraith of Greenhead was born in the house of Kippen, but he never could tell whether he was a Stirling man or a Perth man. The march line of the two counties ran through the house, and one side of the bed was in Stirlingshire and the other in Perthshire. John Leckie entered the Faculty of Procurators, Glasgow, in 1780, and acquired a good business. He latterly assumed as a partner, Robert Knox, and carried on business under the firm of Leckie & Knox. Mr. Leckie died on 10th July, 1814, and was buried with his father in the Ramshorn Churchyard, where their gravestone is still to be seen on the east wall at the east gate. Robert Knox assumed as partner Nicol Tweedie, invidiously known as "the honest lawyer." At Mr. Tweedie's death, in 1843, Robert Hill, who was his head clerk, succeeded to the business, and united it with that of Marshall & Hill, the partners of which were John Marshall and John Marshall Hill, the firm becoming Marshall Hill & Hill. Messrs. Robert Hill and Marshall died many years ago, and the firm is now R. & J. M. Hill, Brown & Co.

WALTER COLQUHOUN.

Walter Colquhoun of Barnhill, Dumbartonshire. The Colquhouns of Barnhill sprang from John Colquhoun, to whom in 1543 John Colquhoun of Luss gave a Charter of the Wester half of Barnhill. Mr. Irving, in *The Book of Dumbartonshire*, Edin. 1879, Vol. II., page 367, says that the son and grandson of this Colquhoun of Barnhill were both slain at Glenfruin fighting for their Chief. Walter Colquhoun was the eldest son of Humphry Colquhoun of Barnhill, a Bailie of Dumbarton, and Margaret Williamson of Chapelton, in the Vale of Leven. Mrs. Humphry Colquhoun was a woman of spirit. When her husband died it was found that a great part of his estate consisted of houses in Dumbarton, which being held burgage were not liable to terce. That is, his widow did not get the one-third of the rents to which, had the property been held feu, she would have been entitled. With feminine contempt for such distinctions, Mrs. Colquhoun set herself to put things right. Fortunately for her, she found a friend in the Town Clerk of Dumbarton, by whose help she procured a Charter of Novodamus from the Burgh of Dumbarton, giving out her husband's

lands to be held feu, and thereafter she bruiked her terce till the age of ninety-two. As an illustration of female character, the story is interesting, but its law is so shaky as to make one doubt its truth. Her scheme was made easier of execution by her eldest son, Walter, being out of the way. When a lad of twenty, a clerk in the office of William Cunningham & Co., he got into a scrape at home and fled in terror to Virginia, where he was employed in a store belonging to the firm. It is not clear whether he stayed in Virginia throughout the American war or not. He seems to have come home, and, about 1795, to have been sent out again to look after what remained of William Cunningham & Co.'s business. Long afterwards he was still engaged in getting in what could be saved from the old outstandings of the firm. In 1802 he retired from business and returned to Glasgow. In summer he resided at Barnhill, and in winter at No. 11 Miller Street. He was never married, and on his death in 1827 was succeeded in Barnhill by his nephew, Alexander Campbell, Sheriff-Substitute of Renfrewshire, elder son of his elder sister, Margaret, wife of Neil Campbell, Sheriff-Substitute of Dum-

bartonshire. The estate descended to Alexander Campbell's son, the late Neil Colquhoun Campbell, Sheriff of Ayrshire, to whose daughter, Annie Colquhoun Campbell, it now belongs.

Through the kindness of Mr. J. O. Mitchell, I have had access to some letters from Mr. Colquhoun to a Mr. Grinnan of Virginia, who had taken up part of his business in America. They are almost exclusively on business, but contain a few interesting Glasgow passages. Mr. Colquhoun was scandalized at the extravagant style of living he found in Glasgow on his return. On 28th November, 1802, he writes: "I have now taken possession of my intended winter lodgings in Miller Street, but have to provide many items of furniture and utensils that, even in the moderate scale of housekeeping, are indispensable. Judging by the articles already purchased the whole will come to no trifle. Although not qualified to speak correctly, it appears to me, from what I have seen, that few or none of my former associates who have families live under the rate of five hundred pounds sterling per annum; and many of them double that amount merely in domestic expenditure. After a year or six months' time I shall be better able

to judge whether I can afford to continue here or must change my quarters to some more frugal neighbourhood. This subject occupies much of my thoughts, but for the time I shall drop it." In a letter of 20th December, 1804, he returns to the subject. "Here am I spending, or rather wasting, the remainder of my days, as I have done those that are past, to little useful purpose either for myself or others. My niece, daughter to my eldest sister, as she has done for the two preceding winter seasons, keeps house with me this one. Now and then we see our friends. I take and give dinners occasionally, go out frequently to clubs or whist parties, etc., etc., in the evenings, thus pursuing many of my former habits. But let me tell you that, from our heavier taxes, the expense of necessaries, and extravagance of superfluities, it is absolutely requisite for me to practise economy, or otherwise my means will diminish, and I am in no line of increasing them. Many here, and amongst these some of my acquaintance, entertain in a style that would be ruinous for me to imitate, which in some instances deters me from having several of them to whom I am indebted for civilities at my plain board." In the same letter is an infrequent and welcome piece

of gossip about no less an event than the death of Robert Dreghorn.[1] "About five weeks ago we had a death here that created considerable sensation amongst us. The person, Mr. Robert Dreghorn, who, in a fit of low spirits or despondency, put an end to his existence with a pistol in his own house about mid-day. He had been out that forenoon. He appeared much dejected although going about for some time previous to the fatal crisis. His lands are valued at rather upwards of one hundred thousand pounds, and it is said he left in the funds half that amount. He left no will. His eldest sister, who is in rather a silly state of mind, inherits by destination about one half of the landed property, and the two other sisters participate equally in the remainder. Mrs. Dennistoun's family—five daughters[2]—will, in all probability, inherit the whole,

[1] There is a portrait of Robert Dreghorn in the Plate called "The Morning Walk," by Kay the Younger. He is the man in top boots, with a flat nose and short pigtail. The Plate is reproduced in Stewart's *Views and Notices of Glasgow in Former Times.* Glasgow, 1848, p. 116.

[2] There were only four daughters. James Dennistoun of Colgrain married (1), in 1777, Margaret, daughter of James Donald of Geilston, who died 1781 after giving birth to a son, James. (2) Margaret, second daughter of Robert Dreghorn of Blochairn, and sister of the Robert Dreghorn who shot himself. By his second wife, Mr. Dennistoun had four daughters—Isabella Bryson, married 1804 to Gabriel Hamilton

her younger sister, Menie, being single, and but a few years short of fifty. Thus the Miss Dennistouns, the eldest of whom, about 18, was recently married, may have fortunes of thirty or forty thousand pounds each."

Mr. Colquhoun must have been in a gossiping humour on this winter day in 1804, for in the same letter we find the following details about Robin Carrick: "Mr. Carrick, the banker, is perhaps full as wealthy as Mr. Dreghorn was. He is likewise an old bachelor, and John Gray's wife—Port Royall—is one of his nearest relations, which makes me now mention him. It would be well worth Mr. Gray's while to return here and cultivate his friendship. In that case Mr. Carrick might eventually bequeath his children ten, twenty, or more thousand pounds. Mr. G. has many other considerations to induce him to return and fix in his native country. Should you mention to him these things, he will wonder how you know them. About a year by past, Mr. Carrick admitted as a

Dundas of Westburn and Duddingston. Janet Baird, married 1814 to Hugh M'Lean of Coll. Elizabeth Dreghorn, married 1815 to Sir Duncan Campbell of Barcaldine. Mary Lyon, married in 1815 to Sir William Baillie of Polkemmet. These four young ladies ultimately succeeded to the whole of their uncle Robert Dreghorn's fortune, but, except the Baillies, none of their descendants have kept a grip of it.

partner in his bank, Mr. David Buchanan[1] late of Petersburg (Virginia), now of London, and many conjecture that he will succeed to a considerable part of Mr. C.'s fortune."

RICHARD DENNISTOUN.

Richard Dennistoun of Kelvingrove, merchant, Glasgow, and a partner in the West India firm of G. & R. Dennistoun & Co.

He was the fourth son of James Dennistoun, fourteenth of Colgrain, and married Christian, daughter of James Alston of Westertoun, Dumbartonshire. By her had several sons, all once well known in Glasgow. The last survivor was Richard Dennistoun, who lived at Row, and employed his energies in collecting Menus, surely the most bizarre and

[1] The bank was the Ship Bank, founded in 1750, amalgamated in 1836 with the Glasgow Bank. The joint concern is now merged in the Union Bank. David Buchanan was second son of George Buchanan of Mount Vernon, and Lilias Dunlop of Garnkirk, sister of Provost Colin Dunlop. Mr. Carrick died on 20th June, 1821, and left the bulk of his fortune to David Buchanan, who thereupon took the name of Carrick Buchanan. David Carrick Robert Carrick Buchanan, now of Drumpellier, is David Buchanan's grandson.

barmecide proceeding ever heard of. There was also William, a popular and eccentric man, known as "Lord William," not because of any special distinction of appearance, but because he had an elder brother James, nicknamed "The Count." The original George and Robert Dennistoun of the firm were brothers of Richard Dennistoun. Latterly the firm consisted of James Buchanan, younger of Ardenconnel, Alexander M'Gregor, Richard Dennistoun, James Robert Dennistoun (Ruffy), and Robert Dennistoun. They over advanced on West India estates, and ultimately had to stop payment.

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL.

Archibald Campbell of Blythswood died at London unmarried in 1838, aged seventy-seven. He was son of James Douglas of Mains, who succeeded to Blythswood in 1767 on the failure of the direct line of the Campbells, and Henrietta, second daughter of James Dunlop, fourth of Garnkirk.

Archibald Campbell was a Major in the 1st Royals (now the Royal Scots), and succeeded to Blythswood

in 1794 on the death of his elder brother, Lieutenant-Colonel John Campbell, who was killed at Martinique. He was Member of Parliament for the Glasgow Burghs from 1806 to 1809, Elgin Burghs 1812, Perth Burghs 1812-1820, and Glasgow Burghs again 1820-31. Mr. Campbell was also Dean of Faculties in the University of Glasgow and Lord-Lieutenant of Renfrewshire, but he was famous chiefly as Tory manager for the west. He was a large burly man, with a red face and bushy white whiskers, much liked for his agreeable manners and pleasant conversation. Mr. Campbell built the present house of Blythswood in 1821, and changed the name from Renfield (commemorated in Renfield Street) to Blythswood. Blind Alick wrote of him :—

> As for the noble Blythswood
> That lives down on the Inch,
> Tho' they had all been Boneypartes
> A foot he would not flinch.

JAMES GRAHAME.

Lieutenant-Colonel James Grahame or Graham, son of James Graham, who was ordained Minister of Bonhill 23rd September, 1756, and died 27th January,

1767. Mr. Graham married on 9th January, 1764, Mary Buchanan, daughter of John Buchanan of Ardoch. Colonel Grahame was in a cavalry regiment, and took part in the taking of the Cape of Good Hope in 1797. While there he married a widow, Madame Fehrzen (mother of Mrs. M'Call of Daldowie, who died in 1886, aged ninety-six), but had no family. Colonel Grahame's house was No. 36 Miller Street, where he shot himself in or about the year 1820.

ROBERT DENNISTOUN.

Robert Dennistoun, son of James Dennistoun, fourteenth of Colgrain, and brother of Richard Dennistoun, also a member of the Board of Green Cloth, born 1756, died 1815. He married Anne Penelope, daughter of Richard Campbell of Jura, and had issue, eight sons and six daughters. Among his sons was the late James Robert Dennistoun, a well-known and well-liked citizen, known to his friends as "Ruffy."[1]

[1] Mr. Dennistoun got this name from his wearing a fringe or "ruff" of beard under his chin.

Robert Dennistoun was a partner in the West India firm of George and Robert Dennistoun & Co. His house—or lodging, as it is called in the *Directory* of 1807—was No. 6 Buchanan Street, on the west side, just above the counting house of John Campbell, Senior, & Company. It was afterwards the Buchanan Street Hotel, where the Jumble Club met for a number of years.

JOHN BLACKBURN.

John Blackburn of Killearn, son of Peter Blackburn, was born at Glasgow in 1756, and died at Edinburgh in 1840. Mr. Blackburn made a fortune in Jamaica, and, in 1814, bought the estate of Killearn, in Stirlingshire, from Sir James Montgomery. Killearn was an old Graham property. The last Graham of Killearn died about 1748, when the estate was sold to Robert Scott, merchant, Glasgow. He died, leaving an only daughter, Margaret, who, when she grew up, married her "Tutor," James Montgomery, afterwards Chief Baron of the Exchequer in Scotland, and a Baronet. His son sold Killearn to John Blackburn. The estate now known as Killearn comprises more than Killearn proper, as Mr. Blackburn bought land all round his original

purchase. The house now called Killearn is not on that estate at all, but on a small estate called Croy Leckie, bought in 1829. John Blackburn's nickname in Glasgow was "Bluebeard," from his having a large blue or purple patch on his chin. He married Rebecca Leslie Gillies,[1] a handsome woman, daughter of the Rev. Colin Gillies of Paisley, and grand niece of Colin Maclaurin, the mathematician. By her he had a distinguished family. Among others were Peter, his eldest son, Chairman of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, M.P. for Stirlingshire, and a Lord of the Treasury. Mr. Peter Blackburn indeed excited interest before his birth, as may be seen from the bet on page 27. Colin, Lord Blackburn of Killearn, one of the greatest lawyers of the century, and Hugh of Roshven, late Professor of Mathematics in the University of Glasgow. Mr. James Murdoch tried to rival Dr. Moore by a string of verses on some of the members of the Hodge Podge. John Blackburn is described:

> Next Blackburn appears; though with argument teeming,
> 'Tis argument filled full of matter and meaning;
> As far as we see he breeds true from his stock,
> And proves a good chip from a worthy old block.

[1] John Blackburn's retiral from whist in consequence of his marriage was said to be a loss of £300 a year to Laurence Craigie.

JOHN DOUGLAS.

John Douglas of Mains. He was son of Robert Douglas of Mains, and succeeded to that estate in 1803. He died without issue, and was succeeded by his brother Colin, whose eldest son, Archibald, succeeded to Blythswood in 1838, and was father of the present Sir Archibald Campbell.

JAMES CONNELL.

James Connell, merchant, Glasgow, a partner of the firm of D. & J. Connell, whose office was at 35 Virginia Street. His house was in St. Vincent Street. Mr. Connell and his brother and partner, David, were sons of Provost Arthur Connell, who, with James Somervell of Hamilton Farm, founded, about the middle of last century, the great house of Somervell, Connell & Co., afterwards Somervell, Gordon & Co., and from 1795, Stirling, Gordon & Co. Many well-known Glasgow citizens have been partners in this firm. John Gordon, who bought Aikenhead, and his brother Alexander ("Picture Gordon"), from whom

Gordon Street gets its name. Charles Stirling (Cadder), David Russell, grandfather of Graham Russell, afterwards Graham Somervell of Sorn, who was also a partner, and William Leckie Ewing of Arngomery. Latterly William Stirling, Junior (now William Stirling of Tarduf), was sole partner, and in 1864 the great old house of Stirling, Gordon & Co. came to an end.

Mr. James Connell had a large family of daughters. One married the late David Sandeman, and was mother of John Glas Sandeman. Mr. Connell died on 20th October, 1819.

JAMES MONTEATH.

James Monteath was a partner with Archibald Hamilton in the firm of Hamilton, Monteath & Co., wine merchants, and Distributor of stamps in Glasgow in succession to Colonel Mure of Caldwell, which office he demitted on 13th May, 1843. Mr. Monteath was the son of Walter Monteath, who was son of Walter Monteath of Kepp, and Jean, second daughter of James Douglas of Mains, and Rebecca Wallace.

He was a man universally liked and respected, with a kind heart and gentle manners. His elder brother was Archibald Douglas Monteath ("the Major"), who resided at 146 West George Street, and was the recognized arbiter of beauty in Glasgow. The house was pulled down to build the New Club. Major Monteath had made a fortune in India (rumour said, by looting a treasure elephant), and on his death in 1842 James Monteath succeeded to this fortune. He also succeded to Rosehall (now Douglas Support) under the entail and took the name of Douglas. He bought Stonebyres, and died unmarried on 3rd June, 1850.

WILLIAM MIDDLETON.

William Middleton, died 10th June, 1861, was son of John Middleton of Shields, Aberdeenshire. Early in life he came to Glasgow, and was put to business under John Wright with David Dale's firm, The Lanark Twist Company. He was for a time in partnership with Hugh Tennent (afterwards of the Wellpark Brewery), as manufacturers at 76 Stirling Street, under the firm of Middleton & Tennent. When they separated Mr. Middleton became a

Havannah merchant, and carried on business under the firm of William Middleton & Co. His house was first at 8 Garthland Street, and latterly at 2 Blythswood Place, now 144 St. Vincent Street. In 1817 Mr. Middleton acquired, from Messrs. John, Thomas Dunlop, and Archibald Douglas, the stance on which he built this house. It contained 440$\frac{15}{36}$ square yards, for which he paid £110 2s. over and above a feu-duty of £22 0s. 6d. If we take the feu-duty at twenty-years' purchase, the price was almost exactly twenty-five shillings a yard. Mr. Middleton married a daughter of George Crawfurd the first, and sister of George Crawfurd the second, a very handsome woman, and had several children. Two of them, George and John, were well known in Glasgow. This marriage gave rise to one of the jests of the facetious Mr. John Douglas. Mrs. Middleton had previously married a Mr. Logie, whom she had divorced. On Mr. Middleton's marriage to her being announced, Mr. Douglas said he had no doubt she would prefer the "middle tone" to the "low key."

DAVID CONNELL.

David Connell, son of Provost Arthur Connell, and brother of James Connell, with whom he was in partnership under the firm of D. & J. Connell, West India merchants. They seem, in 1811 at least, to have lived together in a house in St. Vincent Street. Mr. Connell married Isabella, daughter of John Alston of Muirburn, and had one child, Anne Craigie, who married Sylvester Douglas Stirling of Glenbervie. Mr. Connell died at Glasgow in 1819.

SAMUEL HUNTER.

Mr. Hunter was son of John Hunter, minister of Stoneykirk, in Wigtonshire, and was born at the manse of that parish on 19th March, 1769. He studied medicine at Glasgow, and served in Ireland as assistant surgeon, and afterwards as Surgeon in the North Lowland Fencibles, in which regiment he was subsequently appointed a captain. In 1795 he was admitted a Licentiate of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow. When he left the service he

settled in Glasgow, and became connected with a calendering business, in which he lost a good deal of money. On 10th January, 1803, it was announced in the *Herald and Advertiser* that Mr. Samuel Hunter had been assumed as partner and conductor. Apparently either he, or the newspaper proprietors in his name, carried on a printing business as well. The *Herald* Office in 1807 was at 44 Bell Street, and in the *Directory* of that year there is the entry "Hunter, Samuel, and Co., Printers, 44 Bell Street." There never was a happier appointment than Mr. Hunter as editor, for he was a man of wit, integrity, and good sense. Under his guidance the *Herald,* for the addition "*Advertiser*" was dropped in 1805, became the leading newspaper in Glasgow on the Tory side. Indeed it may be said that he gave it an impetus which has made it one of the best newspapers in the kingdom. Popular as Mr. Hunter was, his unbending Toryism gave his popularity a shake during the Reform agitation of 1831-32, when his effigy was more than once burned at the Cross. In 1837 he retired from the editorship, and sold his shares to the late Alexander Morrison, writer. It is said that Mr. Hunter's salary as editor never exceeded £100 a

year. Of course he had in addition his share of the profits. Mr. Hunter took an interest in things outside of the *Herald.* In 1810 and in 1813 he was a Bailie. In 1803, on the apprehension of a French invasion, volunteer regiments were raised all over the country. In Glasgow alone there were nine, and Mr. Hunter was Major of the Fourth, or Sharpshooters, of which the Colonel was James Corbet. In 1808 when the volunteer system gave place to the Local Militia, Mr. Hunter was appointed Colonel of the Fourth Regiment, stationed at Glasgow. In 1819, at the time of the "Radical War," the regiment of volunteers known as the Glasgow Sharpshooters was raised, and Mr. Hunter was appointed Colonel. Blind Alick sang of him in the following stirring strains, which must refer to his first command :

"Major Hunter cometh next,
In a kilt see he goes,
Every inch he's a man,
From the head to the toes.
He is the loyal Editor
Of the *Herald* newspaper,
And no man at a punch bowl
Can the punch so nobly stir."

He was noted as a wit, but few of his sayings have come down to us. Shortly after the fashion came in

of giving drams after dinner in small glasses, he was dining in a house where the small glasses were handed round. He took one and drank it off, then turned to the servant and said, "I'll take my dram of that." About the year 1809 a fire broke out one evening in the Bell Street premises. Young Dr. William Dunlop, one of the partners, was very active in helping to put it out, and went on the roof to throw buckets of water on the fire. Next day he told Mr. Hunter that, while he was on the roof, he lost his hold and was sliding down, but fortunately was stopped by a rhone or he would have been killed. "Ay," said Mr. Hunter, "I daresay; thae rhones kep a heap o' trash." He was a *bon vivant* as well as a wit, not an unusual combination. Once at dinner, sitting next a young lady, he saw to his horror that she fished the green fat out of her turtle soup, placed it on the edge of her plate, and left it. All his better feelings revolted against this, so saying, "mak' me your jawbox my dear," he sidled his plate towards hers and swept the green fat off it on to his own. He died on 9th June, 1839, at the manse of his nephew, the Rev. Dr. Campbell of Kilwinning.

ARCHIBALD HAMILTON.

Mr. Hamilton was originally a wine merchant in Glasgow, in partnership with his father, Provost John Hamilton, under the firm of John Hamilton & Son, at 78 Trongate. Latterly he was agent for the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company. He was born at Glasgow, 1784, and died at 5 Woodside Crescent, 1860. He married, in 1812, Margaret, daughter of William Bogle, postmaster, Glasgow, and had, with other children, George William, now of Row, and Helen Bogle, wife of Colin Dunlop Donald (II.).

COLIN DUNLOP DONALD.

Mr. Donald was a writer in Glasgow. Born 7th March, 1777; died 18th September, 1859. He was son of Thomas Donald of Geilston, Dumbartonshire, a Virginia merchant, and Janet, daughter of Provost Colin Dunlop of Carmyle. Mr. Donald received his legal education, or most of it, in Edinburgh, and began business in Glasgow in 1801. John Maxwell of Dargavel was then carrying on, in a

somewhat languid manner, the writer's business left him by his father, also John Maxwell of Dargavel. This business he gave up to Mr. Donald, whose office was for many years at 37 Virginia Street, afterwards, and till his death, at 44 West Regent Street. He became Commissary Clerk of Glasgow in 1817, and of Lanarkshire, including Glasgow, in 1824. This office he resigned in 1858, when he was succeeded by his eldest son, Thomas. Mr. Donald was held in much respect both by the profession and by his clients, although with the latter he sometimes adopted curious means of enforcing it. History relates that on one occasion his clerks heard sounds of scuffling in the lobby of the office. On investigating, they found a client writhing in Mr. Donald's grasp, who had him by the collar and was kicking him out of the office. It turned out that the client had made some proposal which had been deemed offensive, and that Mr. Donald had taken this practical method of showing his disapproval. One of his fancies was to have two rooms, and to change occasionally in the course of the day from the one to the other. He was a handsome man, six feet two inches in height, and to the end of his life straight as a dart. One of his chief characteristics was his unbending

Toryism. Change of all kind he hated. As a small symptom it may be stated that in his room in the office he never allowed gas, but stuck to candles to the last. Both in his virtues and in his faults, a man of the eighteenth rather than the nineteenth century.

Mr. Donald's first house in Glasgow was at 44 Dunlop Street. He removed from there to 30 St. Enoch Square, the second house from Howard Street on the west side. In the garden behind this house a pair of rooks nested for some years. Possibly survivals from the time when the site of St. Enoch Square was the old green "only fenced round with palisadoes, and no stone wall, but that loss is made up by one hundred and fifty growing trees round the green, pretty large," as M'Ure says. In 1846 Mr. Donald sold his St. Enoch Square house for £2,275, and removed to 163 St. Vincent Street, which he occupied till his death in 1859.

In 1812 Mr. Donald married Marianne, daughter of John Stirling, of William Stirling & Sons. By her, who died in 1825, he had ten children, five sons and five daughters. Two of his sons, Thomas and Colin Dunlop, were his partners, under the firm of C. D. Donald & Sons. Colin Dunlop died on 16th Decem-

ber, 1886, and Thomas on 17th October, 1887. The other three sons, John Stirling, James, and William, who died 5th October, 1877, were squatters in Victoria. The five daughters were Janet, married James Dunlop of Tolcross, and died 19th October, 1855, leaving issue; Marianne; Mary, died 24th January, 1886; Anne, married Count von Reischach of Stuttgart, and has issue; and Matilda, died young.

COLIN CAMPBELL.

Mr. Campbell was a West India merchant, a partner in the firm of John Campbell, Senior, & Co. His father, John Campbell, Senior (to distinguish him from John Campbell, Junior, the insurance broker), was a son of Alexander Campbell, a Captain in the Black Watch, who hailed from Doune, and married Mary Murdoch, daughter of James Murdoch, merchant, Glasgow. After the collapse of the tobacco trade, Glasgow embarked keenly in the trade with the West Indies, and soon became a formidable rival to London, Bristol, and Liverpool. It is a saying that there is not a stone in Liverpool that is not cemented with the

blood of a slave, but Glasgow, to her honour, kept out of that trade. The West India business did not last long. It began after the American War, received a deadly blow when emancipation was carried, and free trade nearly finished it. But it was good while it lasted. The merchants here charged their constituents heavy commissions on the sugar sold, heavy commissions on the articles sent out, and heavy freights on the cargoes carried.[1]

Colin Campbell was born in 1782, married Janet Miller, daughter of Provost John Hamilton of North Park, and died in 1863, having had ten sons and five daughters. A kindly shrewd man, much looked up to by the rest of the family. His caution made him at times appear undecided; so much so indeed that humorous kinsmen delighted in making up tales of the inconveniences to which this habit of mind subjected him. An upright, and honourable man, also, whereby the Merchants' House got a windfall. In 1828 he accepted a bill for £400 drawn on him by his attorney in British Guiana. Nothing more was ever heard of bill or holder. When Mr. Campbell was winding up his

[1] The late Humphry Crum Ewing told a friend of the Editor that the West India ships made only one voyage a year, out and home.

affairs in 1862, "not wishing to retain money not really belonging to him," he offered to the Merchants' House £672, being the amount of the bill with interest, on their undertaking to relieve him if payment were ever demanded. The House took the money, but accumulated the £672 with interest till 14th July, 1868, when the long prescription had run out. It then amounted to £821 8s. 6d., and was added to the funds of the House.

In 1836 he bought Colgrain from James Dennistoun, and was succeeded in it by his second son, Colin, his eldest son, John, having predeceased him. Colin Campbell (II.) was born in 1819, and married, 1845, Jessie, daughter of William Middleton. He died suddenly in February, 1886, and was succeeded by his second son, William Middleton Campbell. His eldest son, Colin John Campbell, a universal favourite, predeceased him, leaving one child, a daughter.

John Campbell, Senior, had other three sons, all well known in Glasgow. Colonel Alexander Campbell of Possil, and Torosay in Mull, his eldest son; Thomas Campbell and James Campbell, both partners in John Campbell, Senior, & Co. James Campbell was as fine a specimen of the older fashioned merchant as could be

seen. A tall, handsome man, with the fine manner that seems now among the lost arts. He was all kindness and fun when among people he knew and liked ; when with those he did not know well, or did not like, he perhaps carried himself so as to deserve his nickname of "Dignity." He once had a difference of opinion with a well-known citizen, who afterwards complained bitterly to a friend of the way in which he had been treated. "But what did Mr. Campbell say to you?" asked the friend. "It wasna what he said," wailed the injured one, "but it was the daumnable face he pit on."

JAMES DENNISTOUN.

James Dennistoun, sixteenth of Colgrain, son of James Dennistoun, fifteenth of Colgrain, by his first wife, Margaret, daughter of James Donald of Geilston, succeeded his father in 1816. He made out his descent as heir-male of Sir John de Danzielston, who flourished in the middle of the fourteenth century, and in 1828, obtained the authority of the Lord Lyon to bear the arms pertaining to the chief of the name—Argent, a bend sable, supported on the dexter by a lion gules, armed and langued azure, and on the sinister by

an antelope argent, armed azure. Crest, a dexter hand in pale proper, clothed gules, holding an antique shield sable, charged with a mullet or. Motto, *adversa virtute repello.* Mr. Dennistoun married, in 1801, Mary Ramsay, fifth daughter of George Oswald of Auchencruive, by whom he had thirteen children. He died 1st June, 1834, and was succeeded by his eldest son, James, born 17th March, 1803, distinguished by his artistic and antiquarian knowledge.

WILLIAM STIRLING.

Mr. Stirling was a partner of William Stirling & Sons, calico printers. Except some few families, such as the Bogles, who had been rentallers under the Church, and the Tennents, who have been maltmen here from the sixteenth century, no family can show such a connection with Glasgow as the Stirlings. Before 1600 William Stirling, son of John Stirling of Lettyr, was a merchant burgess in Glasgow, and they have been merchants here ever since. "Their family is beyond dispute the oldest in Glasgow; indeed, except the High Kirk, it is the oldest thing in Glasgow. They found this a little country town,

and they have remained to see it grown by the help of them, and others like them, a hundredfold. Through near three centuries, through eight generations, from father to son, they have been merchants here of good standing and gentlemen," *Old Country Houses of the Old Glasgow Gentry*, Glasgow, 1878, p. 84.

Mr. Stirling's grandfather was the William Stirling of William Stirling & Sons. He died in 1777. His son John, born 1751, married Janet Bogle, and left two sons, William and George, of whom hereafter. It was in John Stirling's time that the family bought the Monkland Canal, which eventually turned out such a good thing for them. He was the last occupant of the Lainshaw Mansion, now the Exchange, and he built Tillichewan. William Stirling was born in 1780, and died in 1847. He married Margaret Hamilton, daughter of James Ritchie of Busbie, a tobacco lord, and had by her sixteen children. His eldest son, John, was killed in action in India, and there is a monument to him in the Nave of the High Church. His next son was James, a partner of the old firm, well-known and greatly beloved in Glasgow. William Stirling was one of the staunchest of the old Whigs—a class to whom we owe more than the present

generation is willing to admit. A tall, handsome man, with the best of hearts, he was well liked, notwithstanding a somewhat quick temper.

JOHN BROWN.

John Brown of Auchlochan, in the parish of Lesmahagow and county of Lanark. Before the Reformation the parish of Lesmahagow belonged to the Abbey of Kelso, and Mr. Greenshields, in his *Annals of the Parish of Lesmahagow*, Edin., 1864, p. 98, says that the Browns of Auchlochan were vassals under the Church. There is a Precept of Sasine in 1575 by Francis Stewart, Earl of Bothwell, Commendator of Kelso, to John Brown in Auchlochan, to infeft Alexander Brown in the lands of Fulfurde. The Browns were Covenanters. In the killing times Jean M'Ghie, widow of William Brown of Auchinlochan, was imprisoned in Dunnottar and Blackness, and her son Thomas was outlawed. Thomas Brown of Auchlochan Townfoot led a party at Drumclog and fought at Bothwell Brig. Two of Claverhouse's troopers came on him a few yards from his own door, and attacked him. He defended himself manfully with his broad-

sword—now in the possession of Alexander Francis Garden Brown, Swindrigemuir—but was overpowered and left for dead. The troopers were drawn off in pursuit of another Covenanter on the other side of the Nethan, and Thomas Brown was tended by his family and recovered. John Brown resided at 12 Buchanan Street, and died in 1832 from a fall from his horse near Tolcross. He was unmarried, and was succeeded by his younger brother Thomas, whose son James Thomas sold Auchlochan to William Cathcart Smith Cuninghame of Caprington.

FRANCIS POTT.

Mr. Pott was son of Thomas Pott, merchant, Gallowgate. The family is said to be of German or Dutch origin and to have come over with William the Third. They settled in the county of Roxburgh, where they still hold lands. Mr. Pott began his business career as a partner of Pott & M'Millan, merchants, 427 Gallowgate. He afterwards became partner with Mr. Robert Stewart, who had married a Miss Pott, and carried on business with him as wholesale wine and spirit merchants in the Old Post

Office Court, 114 Trongate, under the still existing firm of Stewart, Pott & Co. His residence was Provanside, Stirling Road.

JOHN LANG.

Mr. Lang, son of William Lang, merchant, Kirkintilloch, was a writer in Glasgow, and admitted a member of the Faculty of Procurators there in 1777. The changes in his office address are an instructive commentary on the growth of Glasgow. In 1783 it was in the New Wynd. In 1811 he was at 19 Miller Street. In 1833 his office was at 60 Ingram Street, and his house 221 Buchanan Street. He married Marion Grahame of Birdston. "Married yesterday at Edinburgh, Mr. John Lang, writer in this city, to Miss Marion Grahame, daughter of the late Mr. William Grahame of Birdstone."—*Glasgow Mercury*, January 4th, 1791. He was much respected by his professional brethren, and was Dean of the Faculty of Procurators from 1819 to 1846, in which latter year he died, aged ninety. His son Archibald (father of John Lang, Clerk of Police) was his partner under the firm of J. & A. Lang. Mr. Archibald Lang died in 1823.

John Lang was a good and very keen whist player, and was a member of the "Jumble" as well as of this Club.

GEORGE STIRLING.

George Stirling, younger brother of William Stirling, and like him a partner in William Stirling & Sons. Born in 1783, and died in 1864. He married his cousin, Anna, daughter of James Stirling of Stair, by whom he had two sons who died in childhood, and a daughter, Margaret, married to Colonel Lorenzo Rothe of the 93rd. When he was a member of the Club he resided with his father in the Lainshaw Mansion. Indeed, from the *Directory* of 1811, it appears not only that John Stirling and his sons, William and George, had their "lodging" there, but that William Stirling & Sons had their warehouse and counting-house in the same building.[1] George Stirling afterwards removed to 49 West George Street, and ultimately to 218 St. Vincent Street—one of the best houses in Glasgow. A tall, handsome man after the

[1] The warehouse and counting-house were in the north wing.

manner of his race, he possessed a charming manner and a boyish spirit of fun. When one thinks of the joyous suppers and card parties of sixty years ago, one cannot help feeling that we don't enjoy ourselves as our grandfathers did. Is the capacity for being bored, which is attaining such growth among us, a new feature in society, or were our grandfathers bored also, and did they look back to the happy days of George the Second as the time when social intercourse was really pleasant?

THOMAS DUNLOP DOUGLAS.

William Douglas of Leith married Catherine, daughter of James Dunlop, third of Garnkirk, and Lilias Campbell, only daughter of Robert Campbell of North Woodside.[1] William Douglas's second son,

[1] It is curious to note the tenacity of a name when once it gets into a family. The Dunlops got the name of Colin from the Campbells two hundred years ago, and it has stuck to them ever since. It was passed on by them to the Donalds, who have kept it for four generations. In a genealogical point of view there is something to be said for family names, and still more for the good old Scotch fashion of calling your eldest son by the name of your father. But the fashion is passing, and before many years we shall all be Percy and Douglas, Claud and Harold.

John, who became a merchant in Glasgow, married Cecilia, daughter of George Buchanan, brewer, and had by her seven sons and one daughter. Of these, Thomas Dunlop Douglas, born 1775, was the fourth son and fifth child. Amongst the other children were Sir Neil Douglas, G.C.B., a distinguished Peninsular officer, and Mrs. Cecilia Douglas of Orbiston, who succeeded to the Tontine at the Cross. Thomas Dunlop Douglas doubtless got his name from his granduncle, Thomas Dunlop, a Virginia merchant in Glasgow, under the firm of Thomas Dunlop & Co., owner of a fine mansion in the Candleriggs, opposite the City Hall.

Hat making was an extensive and prosperous business in Glasgow during the latter half of last century and the beginning of this; so young Douglas was put into the office of Mr. Thomas Buchanan (father of John Buchanan of Ardoch), then the most eminent maker, to learn the business. Afterwards he started as a hat maker himself. His factory was on a narrow strip of ground running from Brown Street to Carrick Street, and his house at 27 Glassford Street. He afterwards became an insurance broker and merchant, and latterly his house in Glasgow was 1 Blyths-

wood Place, now 140-142 St. Vincent Street, which he built for his own occupation. He married Miss Rose Hunter of Greenock, but had no issue. He and his brothers, John and Archibald, who carried on business as merchants in Glasgow, under the firm of "John, Thomas Dunlop, & Archibald Douglas," feued about 1816, from the Blythswood Trustees, the block bounded by St. Vincent Street on the south, Hope Street on the east, the Mews Lane on the north, and Wellington Street on the west. In 1845 he bought the estate of Dunlop, in the County of Ayr, which had belonged to his great-great-great-great-grandfather, James Dunlop. Mr. Douglas died in 1869, aged 94, and was the last survivor of the Board of Green Cloth.

THOMAS SMITH.

Mr. Smith was a brother of William Smith of Muirbank, also a member of this Club, and was born *circa* 1770. He was a Gibraltar merchant and was succeeded in his business by the late Mr. James Glasgow, his nephew, and Mr. White of Kilmardinny.

These two gentlemen separated after a time, and Mr. Smith's business is now represented by the firm of Pirrie Foote & Co. of this city, and Gibraltar. Mr. Smith was a bachelor, and resided at 11 George Square. A jovial popular man, fond of hospitality and fond of whist. He died at Nice in August, 1856. Among his own set he went for some reason not now known by the name of "Hess."

ALEXANDER OSWALD.

Alexander Oswald of Changue, advocate, son of George Oswald of Scotstoun and Auchincruive, and Margaret Smyth of Methven. Born at Scotstoun 1777, died at Bath 1821. He married Anne, daughter of Sir Hew Hamilton Dalrymple of North Berwick, but had no issue. His sister Elizabeth, who ultimately succeeded to Scotstoun, was a fine specimen of the old Scottish gentlewoman. Till she was ninety she never needed a doctor, and when she was eighty-four went to London to see the Exhibition of 1851. She made a fair bid to join the

ranks of the Glasgow centenarians, but died in 1864, aged ninety-eight.

JOHN BUCHANAN.

John Buchanan of Ardoch, a small estate in the Parish of Kilmaronock, Dumbartonshire, on the east bank of Loch Lomond. It now forms part of the estate of Ross.

The Buchanans of Ardoch were cadets of Buchanan of Carbeth, who descended from Thomas, third son of Sir Walter, the thirteenth Buchanan of that ilk. William Buchanan, grandson of Thomas of Carbeth, bought Ardoch in 1683. His grandson John married (first) Mary, daughter of William Crawford, merchant, Glasgow, by whom he had Thomas, born in 1733, and other children; (secondly), in 1747, Elizabeth, daughter of William Buchanan, writer, Glasgow, by whom he had a daughter, Frances, married to John Maxwell of Dargavel, writer, Glasgow, by whom she was mother of John Maxwell, and William Maxwell, both afterwards of Dargavel. Thomas Buchanan, was thrice married.

By his first wife, Margaret, daughter of Moses Buchanan, he had John, his successor, born 1761. Thomas Buchanan was the principal partner of Thomas Buchanan, Junior, & Company, the most extensive hat makers in Glasgow. From the following notice his pre-eminence seems to have been well deserved. "The Edinburgh Society for encouragement of Arts Sciences and Manufactures, think it their duty to inform the public that the premiums proposed by the society for the year 1756, have been adjudged in the following manner. For the best dozen of hats *Four Guineas* to Thomas Buchanan Junior & Company, at Glasgow, N.B. These gentlemen appointed the premium adjudged to them to be applied as a premium for the best dozen of felt hats for the year 1757." *Scots Magazine*, January 22, 1757, p. 49. When the Ship Bank was reconstituted in 1775, Thomas Buchanan was one of the new partners. He died a partner of the bank, and was succeeded by his son John. John Buchanan married Elizabeth, daughter of John Parks, of Netherton, Worcestershire, by whom he had John, afterwards of Ardoch, who sold it; Mary, married in 1810 to Robert Findlay of Easterhill; Margaret, and Elizabeth. Mr.

Buchanan was Member of Parliament for Dumbartonshire from 1821 to 1826. As a Member he had the privilege of franking ten and receiving fifteen letters daily, which he employed for the benefit of the Ship Bank.

ROBERT AITKEN.

Mr. Aitken was originally a manufacturer, but for many years he was agent in Glasgow of the Bank of Scotland. He resided at Greenbank, Govan, and was a general favourite, being a kindly man, and much given to hospitality. He died in 1833. His son, the late Robert Aitken, was for many years senior partner of the firm of Aitken & Mackenzie, accountants and stockbrokers. Banker Aitken's father was also in business in Glasgow and was so given to good works as to be known as "the poor man's friend."

WILLIAM MONTEITH.

William Monteith, son of James Monteith, manufacturer, Anderston, and younger brother of Henry Monteith, with whom he was in partnership. His residence was 4 Blythswood Place, now 152-154 St.

Vincent Street. His death is said to have been brought on by his having run up to the top of Blythswood Hill one night after dinner for a bet. He was a bachelor.

COLONEL NORCOTE.

Major-General Amos Godsib R. Norcote, or Norcott, K.C.H., served with the Rifle Corps (afterwards the 95th, now the Rifle Brigade) in South America, and was at the attack on Buenos Ayres in 1807. On his return from South America he served with the 1st Battalion of the 95th in the Peninsula. He was in Sir John Moore's retreat on Corunna, saw much service down to the end of the war, and at the Battle of Tarbes was severely wounded. At Waterloo he commanded the 2nd Battalion of the 95th and was again severely wounded. He was promoted Major-General on 22nd July, 1830, and died on 8th January, 1838. He had received a medal and clasp for the Peninsula, was a Companion of the Bath, and a Knight of Hanover. He was also a Knight of the Russian Order of St. Anne, and of the Bavarian Order of Maximilian Joseph.

JOHN M'DOWALL.

The notice of John M'Dowall, whose name is fourth on the list of Members, was delayed in order that it might be ascertained whether he was or was not John M'Dowall of Woolmet, a son of Colonel William M'Dowall of Castle Semple. It is most likely that he was, but no direct proof has been got. Mr. M'Dowall was a Virginia merchant, and carried on business under the firm of John M'Dowall & Co., who are seventeenth in Mr. Pagan's list of Tobacco Importers, with an import of 790 hogsheads. In 1783 his house was in Dunlop Street. In 1789 he resided in Jamaica Street, and in the *Directory* of 1792 he is entered as "M'Dowall, John, Esq., lodgings, west side George's Square." The addition of Esquire to his name points to his having been a man of standing, probably a landed proprietor, and strengthens the belief that he was M'Dowall of Woolmet.

ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

Among the records of the Club is the following note of one of the Anniversary Dinners, which is curious :—

Board Anniversary Dinner, Buckshead Inn,
Saturday, 17th May, 1810.

Present.

Messrs. P. Carnegie, Preses.
L. Craigie.
J. Hamilton.
A. Campbell, Blytheswood.
Wm. M'Dowall.
C. M'Lachlan.
H. Monteith.
Wm. Corbett.
A. Campbell, Finlaston.
W. Colquhoun.
J. Grahame.
Rob. Dennistoun.
J. Blackburn.
Jas. Connell.

Jas. Monteith.
Wm. Middleton.
D. Connell.
18 Jno. Maxwell, Croupier.

Visitors.
Gen. Hamilton.
Hamilton Homehead.
Major Hobbart.
C. Thomson.
5 W. Maxwell.
In all 23.

Jardin's Bill, 17th May, 1810.

23 Dinners at 7s. 6d., - - -	£8	12	6
8 B. Champagne, 13 B. Claret, 10s. 6d.,	14	4	6
Other Wines—Port 8, Sherry 6, Mad[a.] 8,	8	0	0
Tea and Coffee 34s. 6d, Eating 10s., -	2	4	6
Punch and other Spirituous Liquors, -	1	19	0
Porter, Ale, Spruce, Soda, &c., - -	1	9	3
Ice 5s., Cards 10s., - - - -	0	15	0
Snuff 1s. 8d., Breakage 7s. 3d., - -	0	8	11
	£37	13	8

May 31.—Paid Mrs. Jardin, In Part, -	£12	0	0
July 6.—Paid p. Waiter to Mrs. J., do.,	10	0	0
,, 27.—Paid Mrs. Jardin, In full, -	15	13	6
	£37	13	6

It appears from this Bill that the twenty-three gentlemen at dinner drank, besides porter, ale, punch, "and other spirituous liquors," forty-three bottles of wine. The Bill shows the price of wine in 1810. Champagne cost a guinea a bottle, good claret ten and sixpence, and port, sherry, and madeira averaged seven shillings and threepence a bottle.

MRS. JARDINE.

The meeting place of the Club was the Buckshead Inn, Argyle Street, at the south-east corner of Argyle Street and Dunlop Street. It had at one time been the residence of John Murdoch, Provost in 1746, 1750, 1758, who had built it in the year 1750, paying £100 for the ground. It afterwards belonged to James Hopkirk of Dalbeth; in 1790 he sold it to Colin M'Farlane, Vintner, who converted it into an inn. It was a handsome house, approached by a double flight of steps, with two windows on each side of the door. The centre of the house, which slightly projected, was ornamented with four fluted Ionic pilasters, and there was a plain Ionic pilaster at each corner. These six pilasters supported a massive cornice, and the whole was crowned with balustrades and a triangular pediment.[1] The

[1] The house immediately to the east, which was built by Provost Colin Dunlop of Carmyle, though not so ornate, is in the same style as Provost Murdoch's house.

only drawing of this inn that exists, so far as the editor is aware, is in Lizars' *Glasgow Tourist and Itinerary*, 1850, page 39. Mrs. Jardine, who kept the Buckshead, was a noted Glasgow character. Her maiden name was Margaret Baldwin, and she married a Mr. Currie. After becoming a widow she kept the Blackboy Tavern, Gallowgate, and in the year 1804 married Peter Jardine, a waiter in her service. By the year 1809 she was in the Buckshead, where she made a good deal of money. Latterly she became subject to fits of insanity, and died in November, 1825. She was a jovial person, and Senex says, that he remembers her at the Flesher's Haugh washing and bleaching linen. "Mrs. Currie attended her washings herself amidst groups of bathers, with whom she delighted to give and take jokes. She paid little attention to the nudity of the bathers, who paid as little attention to the modesty of Mrs. Currie."—*Glasgow Past and Present*, Glasgow, 1884, Vol. II., page 171.

In *Peter's Letters to his Kinsfolk*, Edin. 1819, Vol. III., p. 225, there is a notice of the Buckshead and Mrs. Jardine:—"This letter as you may observe by the date, (if there is one), is written from the

Buckshead Inn, Glasgow, a capital house, which I beg leave to recommend to your patronage, should you ever visit this city. I begin to think our friend Tom's mode of choosing a hotel is not a bad one. His selection is generally regulated by the weight and dimensions of the different hosts, well judging that the landlord who exhibits the most unquestionable marks of good living in his own person, is the most likely to afford it to his guests. On this principle of choice, I apprehend the Buckshead is entitled to a preference over most houses of entertainment in the kingdom. The precise weight of Mrs. Jardine the landlady, I certainly do not pretend to know, but certainly believe it to be something under that of the Durham Ox. But the size and rotundity of her person so greatly exceed the usual dimensions of the human frame, that were they subjected to that rule of arithmetic, entitled *Mensuration of Solids*, I am very sure the result would be something extraordinary. Her jollity and good humour, however, make her an universal favourite, and I can bear witness that her inmates have no cause to complain either of bad cheer or want of attention. I flatter myself I stand pretty well in her

good graces, and, in consequence, am frequently invited to eat a *red herring* in the back parlour, and take a glass out of what she calls *her ain bottle.* The bottle contains not the worst stuff in the world, I assure you. It is excellent Burgundy, and the red herring commonly turns out to be a superb chop *en papillote.*"

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